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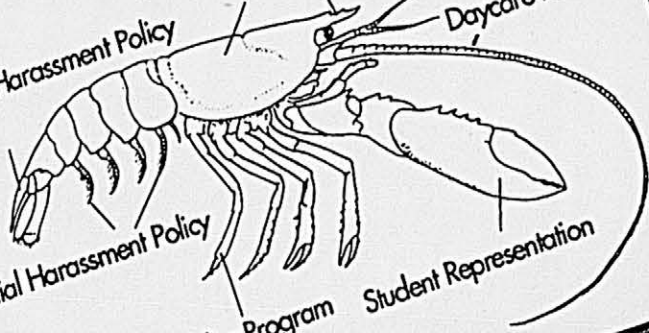
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Flipping through past first issues of the Daily provides a quick lesson in how much McGill has changed since 1911.

Gone is the tradition, popular for most of the 1950s, of intro sock hops in Redpath Hall. Gone, too, are messages from the Dean splashed across the front page of the *Daily*, and the massive pep rallies for frosh.

But the changes are more than just cosmetic or social. Scanning the faces in the grainy photographs it is clear that the McGill community has become more diverse, more tolerant of difference.

In fact, the McGill of 1995 has come a long way in establishing a community that more accurately represents the society of which it is a part. McGill students, for their part, have begun to address problems of racial and sexual harassment on campus and have considered the role of education in creating and sustaining the injustices of Canadian society.

Today we study in an evolving climate. McGill has widened the boundaries of 'acceptable' opinion and better respects the autonomy of its members. The *Daily* now publishes an annual special issue dedicated to lesbian, bisexual, gay and transgendered issues — 22 years ago, this very same issue caused half of the editors to resign.

But those old newspapers reveal something else: each of these advances and victories came only as a result of student pressure and activism.

Far too often students have had to take to the streets and raise our voices so that our basic demands — divestment from apartheid, fair and equitable tuition levels, a curriculum that represents diverse voices and other communities — are heard.

Welcome to this heritage. McGill is a different place, but in many ways these changes are only superficial. Much more needs to be done to change not just the face of McGill but the underlying structures of knowledge and power.

We still have an administration that refuses to be pro-active in dealing with student concerns. We still have a student government that refuses to be 'political' and instead concerns itself with job fairs and beer picnics.

Rising fees threaten McGill's accessibility to all but the privileged few. It is still difficult for anyone who does not fit the dominant image of a university student — middle class, affluent, white — to become an equal member of this community.

Most importantly, the curriculum of McGill is still stuck in a 1950s view of the world. There is no Native Studies programme, nor even one course that recognises the complex political, social and cultural histories of the First Nations of this country.

McGill also has no major in Women's Studies and few opportunities to approach knowledge from any female perspective. The University continues to threaten the African Studies Major, instead of supporting and augmenting it.

Aboriginal voices, women's voices, queer voices, voices of people of colour — any voices, in fact, that try to challenge the dominant status quo — are still being silenced and pushed to the margins.

Too many forces, both on campus and off, are trying to return to those days of intro sock-hops and pep rallies.

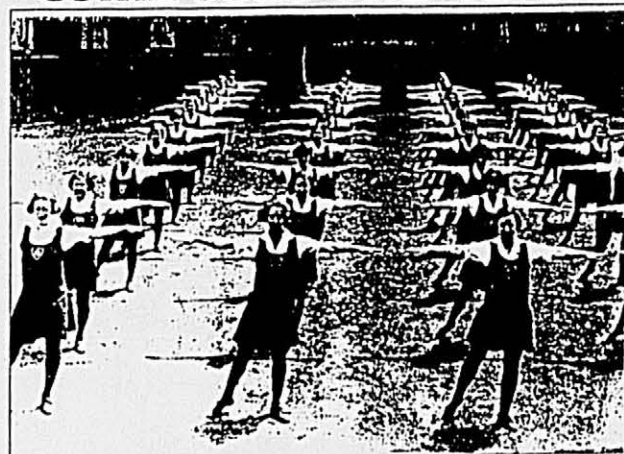
These advancements and barriers are our heritage — a legacy to remember and to use in the year ahead. Although McGill has progressed, in many ways it is still an ivory tower, a bastion of conservative opinions about knowledge, culture and society.

By refusing to broaden its curriculum, by not teaching students to question and to change, McGill reinforces the fundamental inequalities of our society.

In these dangerous times, with questions of separation and the erosion of our programmes for social equity dominating our media and concerns, remember the students who have come before and have fought to make this university more open. Remember also the students who continue to challenge the fundamentals of this institution, who demand that space, not only physical but cultural and political, be made for them.

Welcome to 1995 —
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Celebrated and castigated, radical and reflective, the Daily has been a part of the McGill community since 1911. Whatever individual students have thought of it, the Daily has been an important part of McGill's cultural and political landscape since Stephen Leacock and his frat-boy friends started it 85 years ago.

The form and function of the paper have evolved continually since the days of Leacock. In its present incarnation, the paper aspires to be a proactive voice, using its unique history and vantage point to inform, challenge, and enrich the members of the McGill community.

Although the structure of the Daily has changed over the years, our mandate has remained the same since the 1960s. The Daily has a responsibility to be a presence in student affairs and an advocate for communities and individuals often ignored or marginalised. Essentially, the Daily's purpose is to give students a critical platform for challenging the accepted 'truths' and conventions of the day, on issues local and global.

All of this happens three times a week during the school year: Monday is the News issue, Tuesday is the Daily Français, and Thursday is the Culture issue.

At the end of the day, the Daily strives to be nothing more nor less than a newspaper—informative, readable, entertaining, challenging—guided by our Statement of Principles.

So, need a good place to stand as you rail against the fates? Whether you want to write, take photos, create graphics, or do layout, consider the Daily your place. The Daily remains, as it started, the paper of and for the students of McGill.

But first, a brief introduction: **Daily Publication Society**

You may have noticed an item on your tuition bill for \$6.70. This is your contribution to the Daily Publication Society (DPS). The Society is a non-profit, autonomous student organisation that publishes the Daily and the Daily Français.

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the Daily Français.

Since the Daily Publication Society is an independent company incorporated under the laws of Quebec, its highest body is the Board of Directors. During the election period in March, students elect six members to the nine person board, and Daily staff elect three members. Concerns or questions about the Daily can be directed to the members of the Board through the Daily Publication Society business office at 398-6790.

Staff

The staff members of the Daily—whether writers, designers, or photographers—form the lifeblood of the Daily community. All students are welcome to come

to become staff members; they are encouraged to take part in the production, planning, and direction of the paper.

Contributing six published articles (or three feature articles), photographs, or graphics, or twelve hours of production night work entitles a student to become a staff member.

Every week, staff and editors meet to critique the week's papers and to make decisions for the week ahead. Since the Daily is a democratically-run organisation, staff and editors alike have only one vote each. Although staff meetings are open to all, only staff and editors are allowed to vote. Watch the Daily for notices of upcoming staff meetings. If you have an item you would like to raise at a staff meeting, ask for M-J at 398-6784.

Editors

Every spring, from the ranks of the staff, an editorial board is elected by the staff of the Daily. Editors are in charge of coordinating the direction of the paper, as well as assigning, critiquing, and editing the articles that appear in the paper.

The important thing to remember about the editors of the Daily is that they are not the power-hungry, omnipotent, and omniscient ogres of newspaper lore. Rather, although the editors of the Daily set the general tone of the paper, the weekly staff meetings make the crucial decisions that affect the direction of the paper.

Weekly, or sometimes bi-weekly, editors meet to discuss the production of the paper and evaluate the content of the paper.

News & Features

Every Monday morning, the Daily hits the stands across the McGill campus with news from McGill, Montréal, Québec and the world. The Daily began as a typical news-oriented paper, and much of our effort is still put into informing McGill students about all things newsworthy, both on-campus and off.

Currently, three news editors, as well as the features and national affairs editor, help assemble the news content of the Monday issue. This takes many forms. The Daily covers the important happenings on campus, from the interminable and insufferable administration meetings to seminars, debates, and speakers.

The Daily

recognises, though, that most of the decisions that affect students and the local community happen behind closed doors and after business hours. As such, the Daily has a long history of investigative journalism that tries to keep the powers-that-be responsible to the people at large.

The world does not end at the Roddick Gates—and the Daily does not only address McGill issues. An integral part of the Daily's news coverage is a balanced coverage of issues in Montréal, Québec, Canada, and the world. For more information on news coverage and news articles, talk to Robin, Anup, Ryan or Jackie at 398-6784.

The Daily maintains an active watch on issues important to women, Aboriginal affairs, the environment, and lesbians, bisexuals, gays and the transgendered.

Many issues require exploration outside the standard article format—and for this reason the Daily regularly

publishes feature articles. Features are a place for writers to explore more thoroughly complex issues and analyse the history and context of current events as well as ongoing problems. Often, stories of an international scope will be written as feature articles, and occasionally the Daily will reprint features that it finds in other sources that it feels

is informative for its readers.

The resident Features guru is Idella, who can be reached at 398-6784.

Culture

The purpose of the Thursday Culture issue is not to provide trite reviews and flippant cultural analysis that favours trend and style over substance. While the Culture issue is, by all means, stylish, its focus is on presenting thoughtful and intelligent information, views, and critiques, whether exploring censorship issues or reviewing the latest Esquivel CD reissue.

Guided by the Daily's statement of principles, the Daily Culture sees the nature of art as being representative and reflective of the society and culture in which it is created. The Daily Culture strives to give exposure to events, movements, and cultural issues normally ignored by the media as well as look at popular culture from a different angle, analysing the inherent political and social issues. On Wednesdays, we don leisure suits and dance to forgotten 80's classics.

Culture-oriented persons are encouraged see Kevin (at 398-6784 or at the Daily office) and help him practice the art of talking dirty and influencing people.

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Hyde Parks

Hyde Parks—named after the famous London site for soap-box politicians, demagogues, and revolutionaries—is a space devoted to the opinions of our readers. Although they must be less than 500 words long, Hyde Parks provide greater space for opinion and argument than letters. However, unlike letters, the Daily does not guarantee that all the Hyde Parks received will be printed. Please leave a copy of your Hyde Park in the Hyde Park Box by the office door

Comments

nts are short opinion pieces written by staff members that address any topic under the sun. Unlike editorials, comments are only the opinion of the staff members that sign them. Editorials are planned during the weekly staff meeting of the Daily and must be

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Statement of Principles: The McGill Daily

2.1) The fundamental goal of The McGill Daily shall be to serve as a critical and constructive forum for the exchange of ideas and information about McGill University and related communities.

2.2) Within this optic, the staff of the Daily recognises that all events and issues are inherently political, involving relations of social and economic power. Further, we recognise that at present power is unevenly distributed, especially (but not solely) on the bases of gender, age, social class, race, sexuality, disability and cultural identity.

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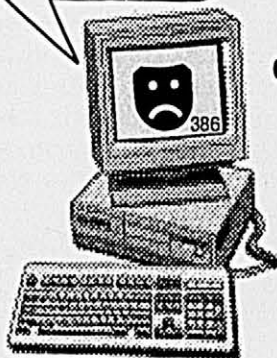
The Daily's methods should be both educative and active, as determined democratically by its staff.

2.4) Finally, we recognise that the Daily must remain accessible to the student community it comes from, and should abide by an ethic of fairness (as defined in the Code of Ethics) while maintaining its autonomy.

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African Studies holds program for

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By JACQUELINE REIS

African Studies students do have a program to come back to this fall, but just barely. McGill is still searching for a replacement for Africanist Anthropology Professor Dan Aronson, who left the department for a job at the World Bank in the spring of 1994.

The three courses Aronson taught, in particular Anthropology of Development, which attracts approximately 200 students each year are integral to the major program in African Studies.

Sessional Professor Eric Worby has returned this year on a one year contract to teach Aronson's and other courses. Professor Donald Attwood, chair of the Department of Anthropology, said it is "unlike-

ly" that Aronson will ever be replaced.

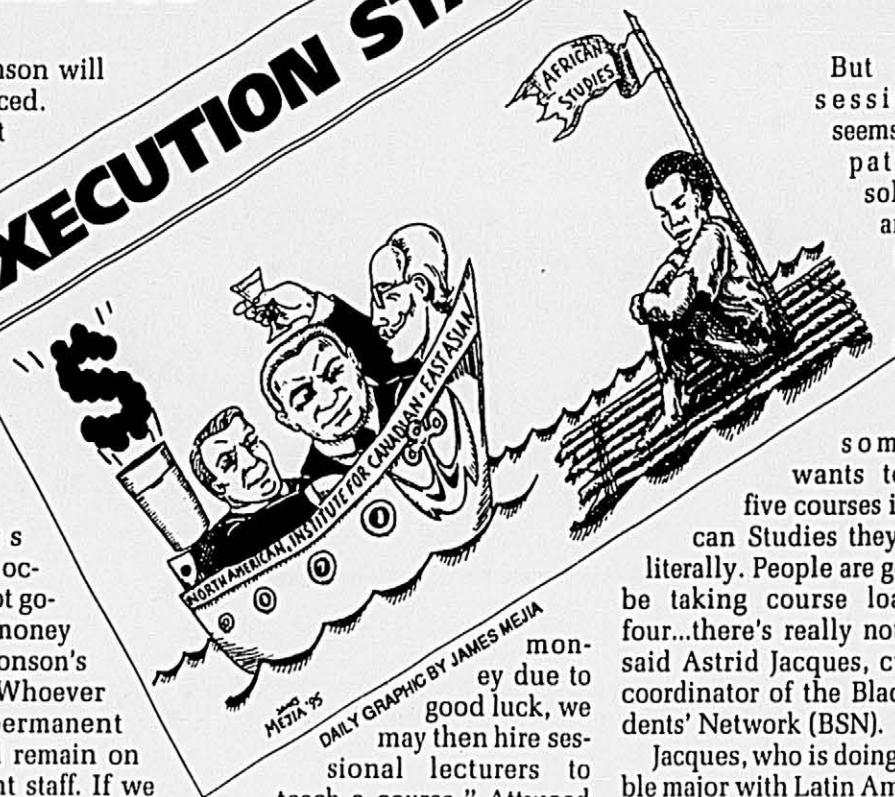
"Let's put is this way:

We hope he will be replaced," said

Attwood.

"Unless some miracle occurs, we're not going to have money left to fill Aronson's departure... Whoever is on the permanent staff end will remain on the permanent staff. If we happen to have some extra

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money due to good luck, we may then hire sessional lecturers to teach a course," Attwood added.

But hiring sessionals seems to be a patch-up solution, and an inadequate

one at that.

"If someone wants to take

five courses in African Studies they can't, literally. People are going to be taking course loads of four...there's really nothing," said Astrid Jacques, cultural coordinator of the Black Students' Network (BSN).

Jacques, who is doing a double major with Latin American and Caribbean Studies and Af-

rican Studies, pointed out that first year students in African Studies might find enough courses to fill their schedule. But will their program last long enough for them to graduate from it?

If McGill and its Faculty of Arts won't fund it, students are determined to make up the gap.

"That's what it's come down to. The students have to do the fundraising. Mind you, they're supposed to be studying," said Jacques.

The Africana Studies Committee of the BSN (Africana includes both the continent of Africa and the diaspora: the Caribbean, and African communities around the world) was scheduled to meet last Sunday. The committee's last major action was to organise the demonstration on the Arts steps last spring that drew over 150 participants.

Jacques said their first priority this year will be to give the program some departmental space. "The program in itself has no money," noted Jacques, unlike Latin American studies, North American studies, and other interdisciplinary programs.

"The less of a place something has, the easier it is to uproot it," commented Lisa Grushcow, VP university affairs. Grushcow said she hopes students will come forward with their concerns about African studies at an open forum on the future of McGill which she has scheduled for October 12.

Jacques encouraged concerned students to call the BSN at 398-6815 and write letters to the new Dean of Arts, History Professor Carman Miller.

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Last March, McGill's Undergraduate Students' Society (SSMU) granted a group of dedicated students the opportunity to run their own cooperative cafeteria in the Alley of the Shatner University Centre. This summer that opportunity was revoked.

Sonja Kleiman, a Québec Public Interest Research Group (QPIRG) representative and head of the Co-op cafe project in the Alley, submitted the preliminary proposal to then-VP Finance Paul Johnson last spring. Kleiman was given an enthusiastic go-ahead to prepare a concrete business proposal.

The main idea of the project was for students to run a café providing responsible consumption and healthy, reasonably priced food services to other McGill students.

"The money we would earn is surplus and would go back to the students through programming and activities...Making a profit was never my concern," Kleiman explained.

The café was going to be modeled after the Architecture Undergraduate Society's Co-op cafeteria located in the MacDonald Harrington Building. Over the years, this co-op has drawn many students from Architecture and other

faculties.

"I like the cafeteria. It has better service and a friendlier atmosphere...I think it's this way because it is students working together," said Chao Xu, a U3 student in Electrical Engineering.

"It's also a more relaxed environment to hang out in... It creates a new experience and it creates jobs," he added.

So What Happened to the Alley?

In December 1995 a new company, Miraval Food Services, negotiated and signed a contract with SSMU that secured their rights to all food and beverage services on campus.

While students were informed about the change in cafeteria owners, negotiations led them to believe that the two pubs in the Shatner University Centre were exempt from the contract. Not so, said Maurice Corey, a Miraval employee.

Corey explained that the Alley and Gerts were not omitted from the contract but left as options which Miraval could purchase at a later date.

"The Alley was never omitted from the contract. It was put on the side lines because we did not have enough financial resources to obtain it. After four to five months we had collected the money we needed to fund the project," said Corey.

Miraval was then able to bid on the Alley because the SSMU negotiators had included the "right to first refusal" in the

per cent more than QPIRG.

It was members of the Students' Society who asked Miraval to make a tender on the Alley over the summer, Corey explained. "They asked me to make a bid on the Alley, so I did."

Hypothesized Kleiman, "The entire process had been a farce. It had never really been the SSMU's place to say yes or no, but rather to make Miraval pay top dollar."

With Miraval now running the Alley, SSMU will receive 12 per cent of the profits. If QPIRG would have turned the cafe into a co-op, SSMU would have received only eight per cent of the surplus.

But Jen Harding maintains that money was never the issue. "We could not do anything. They had the right to first refusal written in their contract. We had to hear their proposal."

"They are still willing to negotiate... The contract states that Miraval must work at coming to an agreement with the Co-op people," Harding continued.

Even though Harding claims

that nothing has been finalised, Corey stated that Miraval has already paid for the renovations in the Alley. "The Co-op was never an option. I sunk \$50 000 into fixing carpets, counters and coffee machines. I want my money back [in profits]."

What Can We Do?

Although the future for a co-op in the Alley looks remote, Kleiman continues to dedicate her time and energy to this cause. "There's only one path that I can follow and that is the road to an autonomous student Co-op with socially responsible consumption, a non-hierarchical structure and food for people, not profit."

Other plans are being made to co-ordinate a referendum and to set up a co-op off, but close to, campus. Kleiman plans to incorporate a co-op entity, raise funds, research alternatives, do massive advertising, hold public meetings and, most importantly, recruit volunteers.

To get involved and receive information on approximate dates of events call Sonja Kleiman at the QPIRG office at 398-7432. Or just drop by their offices at 3647 University, third floor.

CO-OP GOES FLOP

SSMU: Who's side are they on?

BY ROBERTA LAUCKE

company's contract. This clause gave Miraval the chance to out-bid any competitor on the cafeteria.

VP Internal Jen Harding confirmed the inclusion of the "first refusal" clause. "I knew about the right to first refusal as part of the contract," she admitted.

"Guy Brisebois and other team players spoke on behalf of all the different undergraduate societies and put it in the contract," she added.

However, Kleiman maintained that neither SSMU nor Miraval told her about the refusal clause. "The Students' Society of McGill spoke for all students and gave Miraval the right to first refusal... This clause allowed Miraval to refuse any food service proposal by making a higher bid."

"I knew nothing about this being in the contract," Kleiman added.

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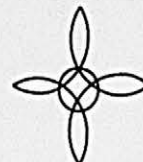
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OF FESTIVALS AND ACCIDENTAL DEATHS

BY ANUP GREWAL

May

• Montréal women's groups and their supporters join a province wide march against poverty called Bread and Roses. They call on the provincial government to pass legislation to raise the status of women in Québec.

• Québec Minister of Health Jean Rochon announces the closure of nine Montréal Community hospitals as part of a health reform package designed to make the provincial public health system very lean and some say very mean. There were demonstrations throughout the summer and negotiations over the future of several hospitals are on-going.

• Provincial funding for social housing units in the Montréal region remains inadequate despite the efforts of a coalition of social housing advocates and community groups. Mayor Pierre Bourque refuses to advocate aid for the social housing sector and abolishes the city's biggest public housing corporation.

• Martin Suazo, a Montréal citizen of Puerto Rican descent, is killed by an MUC police officer whose trigger went off "accidentally." Suazo was being chased on St. Laurent Blvd. for shoplifting.

June

• The New Film Festival and the Fringe Festival coin-

cide with a week-long street market on St. Laurent Blvd.

• A labour dispute at the Montréal Casino begins on June 29 and continues until August 14, prompting 1 300 casino workers to walk out. They are still looking for a settlement, which is supposed to be reached by December 1.

• The Montréal City Council makes changes to the democratic consultation structures in the Montréal Urban Community. While some of the changes allow citizens to have more decision-making powers, community jurisdiction over urban planning is taken away. Right now, the old structures have been abolished and the new ones are not yet put in place. This means the City Council is doing what it may without serious consideration for public opinion.

• Project Genesis, an anti-poverty group in Côte-des-Neiges, and the Golden Age Association, a seniors group, create a tent city in Mackenzie Park to protest the proposed reforms to Québec health care. The groups erect huge tents to symbolise the idea that many elderly people would have no where to go with shorter hospital stays. Dr. User Fee is a prominent celebrity at the event.

July

• The Festival International de Jazz de Montréal begins the first week of July. Montrealers

enjoy music from all over, with artists such as Etta James and Buckwheat Zydeco enlivening the city. This is followed by Nuits D'Afrique, an African music festival in which Montréal plays host to musicians such as Papa Wemba.

• Montréal's Caribbean culture parade, Carifesta, returns in full swing. A dispute between the city and the Black Community Council of Québec over the attack by MUC police on the 1993 parade had canceled the parade last year. This year things went well.

• July 11 marks the fifth anniversary of the Sureté du Québec's attack on the Mohawk reserve near Oka. Many Montrealers participate in a spiritual gathering held at Kanesatake.

• Ramona Africa, a black activist with the Philadelphia-based MOVE is detained without explanation for 18 hours by the Immigration Prevention Centre in Montréal. Africa was here to speak about Mumia Abu-Jamal over the weekend of July 22. Supporters demonstrated for her release.

• Four MUC police officers are convicted in the 1993 shooting death of Richard Barnabé. Their sentences are light, ranging from community work to 45 weekends in jail. The officers continue to receive their salaries although they are suspended from duty. In the same week, MUC police shoot and kill Phillippe Ferraro with

a rubber bullet. A police officer is quoted as saying "this is not a good week for the police."

August

• Mayor Bourque begins the construction of *eco-quartiers* in Montréal communities. The program uses volunteers from each of the 51 districts in Montréal to beautify life in their neighborhoods. Although the program has some promise, many wonder if it's more to boost the image of Mayor Bourque's Vision Montréal party.

• Montréal's gay pride day, Divers/Cité, takes place on August 6. This is the third year of the parade and over 18 000 people attend. The parade marches from Parc Jeanne Mance to more festivities at Parc La Fontaine.

• In the middle of August, City Council sets up a committee to change the urban zoning by-law in Montréal. Big bars and big businesses will now have next-to no restrictions to open up in non-commercial, residential streets. This has many small business owners and residents worried, especially since the decisions were made arbitrarily and without public consultation. Discussions are ongoing.

• Two hundred Montrealers join cities around the world in a march to support the release of Mumia Abu-Jamal, a black activist on death row in the US. The march in Montréal begins

at the Tam-Tam jam and ends with a demonstration in front of the US consulate. Mumia was convicted in the 1981 shooting death of a Philadelphia police officer. His execution has since been stayed, but his trial is yet to be re-opened.

• A gang war between the Hell's Angels and La Rock Machine results in the death of an 11-year-old boy when a car bomb went off in the east end. The war is for control of the drug trade in Montréal. Since then, there have been more bombings and confrontations between the two gangs. Montrealers are sending a petition to Federal Justice Minister Allan Rock in an appeal to create anti-gang legislation.

• While Mayor Pierre Bourque commemorates the bombing of Hiroshima with grave words and the opening of a photographic exhibit, he refuses to condemn France or China for their plans to carry out nuclear tests.

• The Montréal Urban Community has yet to pass a by-law against pesticides although many municipalities around Montréal banned their use in public parks this summer. Mayor Bourque and the Vision Montréal party first deny the existence of any pesticide use in the city, causing the opposition to wonder if the mayor is lying or is simply uninformed. At present Bourque has agreed to look into the issue. Promises, promises say his critics.

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GAINING GROUND FOR WOMEN

The Bread and Roses marchers get promises from the government

BY ANDREA COOKE

In an awareness campaign to gain important legislation for women in poverty, hundreds of people marched from Montréal, Longueuil and Rivière du Loup towards Québec city in late May.

The march, named Bread and Roses, was organised by the Federation des Femmes de Québec (FFQ).

The marchers had nine demands which they asked Parizeau to respond to. The purpose of the nine demands was to improve the lives of women in poverty.

The Québec government responded positively to some of the demands but there is still a lot of work to be done. Françoise David, the president of the FFQ released a document outlining the results of the march.

David writes that the march was important because it forced

the government to make an immediate response. "Without the march, we would never have obtained what we did so quickly."

One of the most significant gains made by the march was for the rights of immigrant women who are being sponsored by their husbands. The government promised to reduce the number of years the women must wait before being granted citizenship, from ten years to three years.

The women also demanded access to social rights for sponsored women, or those waiting to be sponsored, who were victims of conjugal or familial violence. They were given an agreement that these women could seek other means to gain their residency if their husbands decided to withdraw support.

Parizeau agreed to allow the set up of a women's committee made up of representatives from women's groups in the

province, to advise the government on issues of funding and changes to the social infrastructure.

The marchers gained a promise in principle to make sure that women on social assistance are given equal opportunity in the job market and will receive a decent minimum salary.

Despite these gains, the marchers were unable to make any significant progress on the issues of tuition hikes and social housing. The marchers had asked for freeze in tuition fees and an increase in the number of bursaries granted each year to students.

Although a freeze in tuition fees was announced for this coming year before the march, there is no guarantee that this freeze will last for a long time. Federal cuts which will be happening this coming winter could affect tuition fees. The Federation is planning to follow up on the issue of tuition fees.

The FFQ also wanted to see a raise in minimum wage to \$8.15/hr, and enforcement of equal pay for women and men. Minimum wage was only raised to \$6.45/hr, which is not

a very satisfying increase.

The FFQ wanted to see the creation of a minimum of 1 500 new social-housing units per year. Before the march began, the announcement of 1 200 new social housing units had been made by the province and the marchers were unable to push for more units.

Aside from the demands, many of the participants stressed the symbolic and awareness raising aspect of the march.

"The march was beneficial towards raising awareness about poverty and women. There was a lot of media coverage along the whole march" said Katherine Macnaughton of Project Genesis.

Another positive aspect of the march is that it got hundreds of different people together. There was no visible majority.

"There was a whole spectrum of people who attended the march. The march consisted of men and women of different cultural backgrounds, age and occupations", recalled Macnaughton.

Yasmin Mareli, who was a

participant in the march and a member of the South Asian Women's Organisation, said that "the march was very well organized and very civil. It was an extremely peaceful march without any violence."

For participants of the march, the end of the march does not mean the end of the fight for better quality of life for women in poverty. According to Diane Matte of the FFQ, "for sure the fight is not going to stop here. That was clear from the beginning."

Matte concedes that new ways have to be found to continue the spirit of collective work represented at the march.

The FFQ and a coalition of community groups will meet at the end of this month to discuss the future direction of the campaign.

Matte said that all the aspects of the nine demands will be discussed, including the losses and the gains. "Perhaps some new ideas will come out," she said.

Matte was optimistic that "a structure is going to be made that will give us the opportunity to keep working and pushing for the nine demands."

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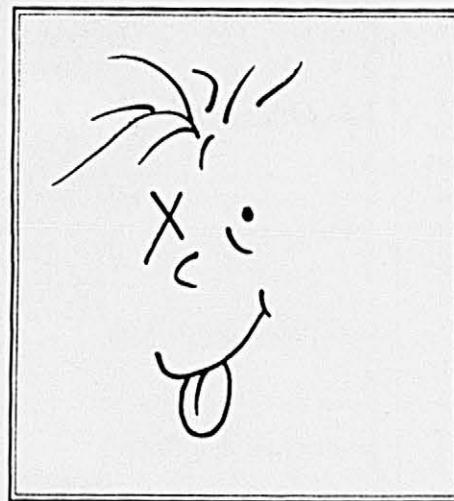
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- Dans cette optique, le personnel du *Daily* reconnaît que tout événement ou problème est par nature politique et implique une relation de pouvoir économique et social. De plus, nous reconnaissons, qu'actuellement le pouvoir est inégalement réparti, particulièrement (mais pas uniquement) en fonction du sexe, de l'âge, de la classe sociale, de la race, de l'orientation sexuelle, des handicaps et de l'identité culturelle.

- Nous reconnaissons aussi que garder le silence sur cette situation contribue à la perpétuer. En conséquent, afin d'aider à corriger ces injustices, le *Daily* devrait, dans la limite de ses compétences, décrire et analyser avec précision les relations de pouvoir dans ses reportages.

Jeune culture à petits prix !

RÉDACTION CULTURE
Emmanuelle Latraverse

De nouveaux horizons s'ouvrent sur la scène montréalaise et la rédaction culture du *McGill Daily français* vous les fera découvrir. Tout en perpétuant la tradition forgée au cours des dernières années, deux règles d'or régneront sur les pages culture : les jeunes et le petit budget !

De fait, les jeunes artistes seront au premier plan de notre couverture. Les incontournables des grandes maisons de théâtre, d'arts visuels et de musique de la ville devront laisser leur place aux créations de la relève. En effet, c'est souvent au sein d'organismes parallèles qu'évoluent et se développent les

jeunes talents, encore inconnus. Il en tient d'ailleurs de notre mandat de promouvoir le talent des laissés pour compte par les médias traditionnels.

En ce qui concerne le petit budget, la couverture culturelle tentera de favoriser des événements peu coûteux et donc accessibles au maigre porte-feuille de la population étudiante. Aussi les pages cultures offriront hebdomadairement une liste d'événements gratuits.

Pour les avides d'information découragés par le pessimisme qui sévit dans l'actualité, les pages culture proposeront cette année (du moins le tenteront-elles) des articles d'information sur le milieu culturel et sur les différentes communautés dont la culture fleurit

Montréal. Qui dit culture, ne dit pas nécessairement frivolité et rigolade. Tout événement possède un contenu politique et social. Il ne reste qu'à l'explorer !

Voici donc les objectifs de la rédaction en culture. Toutefois, la touche originale et le ton seront donnés par les affinités et goûts des journalistes composant l'équipe culturelle. En effet, la rédaction se veut votre guide, le produit final dépendra de vous, journalistes.

Les pages culture du *McGill Daily français*, ne s'écrit pas seules et ne parleront pas d'elles-mêmes. Vos idées et votre plume, expérimentée ou non, sont les principaux outils nécessaires à la réalisation de ce projet de « culturisation informative » ! Joignez-vous.

Le huard et la grille-horaire

BRÈVE
Jean-François Corbett

Au désarroi général, les étudiants et étudiantes de McGill ont dû sortir leur porte-monnaie et dire adieu à un dollar de plus pour obtenir une grille-horaire des cours de l'automne 1995. En effet, pour la première fois cet automne, les autorités mcgilloises ont décidé d'apposer des frais modérateurs au fameux *Timetable*.

« Pour de nombreuses raisons, nous voulons encourager les gens à consulter plutôt infomcgill, le réseau d'information de l'université », explique Victoria Cook, responsable de la grille-horaire.

Selon cette dernière, l'information contenue dans l'horaire des cours nécessite souvent des correctifs qu'il est malheureusement impossible d'apporter une fois l'impression terminée. Il est alors nécessaire de produire des addenda, qui sont eux-mêmes sujets à modification après le début de la session, ce qui prend énormément de temps.

Par contre, d'après Madame Cook, les renseignements concer-

nant par exemple les locaux et les annulations de cours sont mises à jour deux fois par semaine sur infomcgill, média beaucoup plus flexible.

Par ailleurs, l'administration se devait de résoudre les problèmes de gaspillage de papier. « Nous voyions des personnes qui prenaient une grille-horaire pour vérifier quelque chose, puis la jetaient pour en reprendre une autre plus tard, puis de nouveau la jeter... Il y avait énormément de gaspillage, affirme Madame Cook.

Nous croyons que cela va cesser maintenant que ces gens doivent payer leur grille-horaire. »

« Notre but ultime est d'éliminer les grilles-horaires sur papier afin que tout le monde consulte infomcgill », déclare Madame Cook. Mais y a-t-il vraiment assez de terminaux sur le campus pour que des milliers et des milliers d'étudiant-es puissent consulter infomcgill à la rentrée ? « Nous n'en sommes pas certains à 100 p.cent, il se peut qu'il y ait un problème », admet Madame Cook.



La discrétion de l'art urbain

REPORTAGE ET PHOTOS
Loïc Bernard

L'avenue du Mont-Royal est prise d'assaut jusqu'au 17 septembre par un groupe d'artistes étudiants dont le projet s'intitule *141 Zig Zag*. Ce projet artistique multidisciplinaire tente de mettre en valeur un tronçon de la rue Mont-Royal, à première vue vétuste; par des performances diverses entre les rues St-Laurent et St-Denis.

Gilbert Boyer, artiste en œuvres urbaines, et Marie Perreault, critique et conservatrice en art contemporain, ont mis sur pieds cet événement. Chaque artiste y présente des installations sonores et visuelles variées, de façon à revaloriser l'espace urbain. Ils proposent ainsi un regard différent sur la ville et son quotidien.

Cette prestation parvient en effet à faire ressortir les éléments les plus banals que l'on puisse trouver sur la rue Mont-Royal. Par exemple, les arbres et les parcmètres portent tous une étiquette racontant leur histoire. Ils se distinguent alors les uns des autres en tant qu'objet unique. Malheureusement, les passants et passantes observent sans pleinement comprendre de quoi il s'agit.

La curiosité des piétons s'arrête tout particulièrement sur une voiture peinte entièrement en blanc et posée sur le terrain vide d'une station-service. « Cette auto-fantôme reflète les espaces vides, les terrains abandonnés et les personnages étranges de la rue Mont-Royal », explique Véronique Bellemare Brière,

ments des passants, servant de reflet du mouvement urbain... c'est une façon de sortir du quotidien par le quotidien ».

Le clou du spectacle sera l'installation d'un parc entier comblant le vide d'un espace désert au coin des rues Mont-Royal et Hôtel-de-Ville. Une centaine d'arbres seront

installés dans ce *Parc éphémère*, ainsi que plusieurs poubelles et bancs qui rempliront le vide de ce bout de rue. « Nous voulons que les gens se rendent compte du vide et du manque de choses essentielles à la vie urbaine. Le parc, une fois enlevé, fera réagir les habitants du quartier qui le voyaient comme étant une bonne initiative », poursuit Véronique Bellemare Brière.

C'est grâce à l'aide financière et matérielle de la ville de Montréal, du Centre d'Intervention en Revitalisation de Quartier (CIRQ) et à la participation de l'UQAM, que les artistes ont pu s'approprier ce tronçon de rue. « La ville de Montréal a investi de l'argent pour bâtir le *Parc éphémère* et l'enlever, toutefois il ne veut pas investir dans l'établissement d'un vrai parc » ajoute-t-elle.

Issu d'une idée originale, cet événement se fait trop discret. On voit sans comprendre. Les piétons



artiste impliquée dans cet événement. Malheureusement, en simple piéton, on se demande tout simplement ce que cette voiture fait là.

Plusieurs autres prestations artistiques sont organisées lors de cet événement. Des chorégraphies sont présentées dans quelques terrains vagues de la rue Mont-Royal. Tel que l'ajoute Madame Brière, « certaines danses imitent les mouve-

risquent de n'y voir qu'une simple décoration perdue au milieu du brouhaha des voitures et autobus pressés de rejoindre leur destination. Un projet de cette envergure ayant pour but la revalorisation et le développement urbain de ce quartier devrait pourtant avoir sa

place dans une ville toujours plus difficile.

141 Zig Zag: Projet d'interventions urbaines - Avenue du Mont Royal Est entre Saint-Denis et Saint-Laurent jusqu'au 17 septembre. Informations: Véronique Bellemare Brière, 845-3899.



COUNTDOWN TO THE REFERENDUM: A ROUGH INTRODUCTION

A COMMENT BY ROBIN PERELLE

Trying to run a timeline for the upcoming Québec referendum is like trying to condense the history of many nations into a neat little box. It just can't be done.

Any accurate summary of this situation would have to start back in colonial times, with a careful examination of the multi-layered levels of exploitation that have persisted to this day.

The timeline you see before you is not meant to be an exhaustive guide, but a compass to help trace some recent developments on the campaign trail.

What do the separatists want?

According to the report released last April by la Commission nationale sur l'avenir du Québec, separatists are fed up with Canada's federal system and are ready to establish their own, sovereign state.

As long as Canadians refuse to recognise the "distinct" nature of Québec society, sovereigntists say, the development of their nation's culture will be hampered.

After years of fruitless constitutional negotiations, Québec has failed to obtain a significant redistribution of powers within the federal framework (where Ottawa and the provincial governments share jurisdictions). Frustrated with the process, the leaders of the sovereigntist movement are now urging their compatriots

to leave the fold.

These leaders claim they are not satisfied with the provincial status which the federation is offering Québec. They want more powers in order to "safeguard the identity of the Québécois people".

So what to make of these demands?

In their quest to reform the Canadian Federation, the sovereigntists have inadvertently uncovered a glaring reality: the system is outdated.

The system was originally extended as a deal of equal co-existence to British North America's two "founding nations", the French and the British. Right off that meant that all the First Nations, like the Mohawk and the Cree, who pre-dated the arrival of the "founding nations", were denied a legitimate role in the new country.

While this initial injustice still persists, the situation has further deteriorated with the arrival of many immigrant groups who have yet to be granted full "founding" status themselves — despite their essential contributions to the development of this country.

So our federal system is far from perfect, and indeed established on a seriously flawed foundation. Initiatives to promote the development of "official language" minority groups (ie. French and English) highlight the existence of this dichotomy of privi-

leged groups versus everyone else.

As such, for the Québécois to claim that their culture has been completely forgotten is unfounded. Other groups who were forced to assimilate without any concessions might have more to complain about.

Granted, most Canadians are still not functionally bilingual and, as a result, many Québécois not only feel isolated beyond the borders of their province but face limited job opportunities as well.

Does this isolation justify this separatist movement? If the movement was about the lack of economic mobility faced by French Canadians in a country which fails to incorporate them, then maybe it would be justified. But it is not a movement dedicated to the eradication of economic injustice in Canada.

Rather Québec's separatist movement resembles many nationalist movements of the past century, where one group has sought to promote its culture at the expense of everyone else's.

A movement that admittedly espouses nationalist goals must be scrutinised very carefully, particularly when it calls for the creation of an independent state for the "Québécois Nation".

If the Québécois leaders manage to convince enough compatriots to vote yes on referendum day, it may be the first step to an even more de-

lineated system — where 'pure laine' francophones are first-class citizens and everyone else must assimilate. After all, their cultural identity is so important it's worth forming a whole new country around.

Now go register to vote

So these are a few issues to keep in mind as the enumerators begin to make the rounds through your neighbourhood.

While the situation is clearly complex and has long and twisted roots, voters should focus upon the risks inherent in the social system the sovereigntists are likely to establish. Already the Parti Québécois government has promised to consider Native self-govern-

ment only as long as it doesn't interfere with their own government's aspirations, and the territorial integrity of Québec.

Do you want to give this nationalist movement free reign to run a country?

If you are a Canadian citizen currently living in Québec you are eligible to vote in this referendum. To register, give your name, address, date of birth and proof of Canadian citizenship (passport or birth certificate) to the enumerators between September 5-10, 1995. They will then give you a signed slip that you must bring with you on voting day. In order to vote you **MUST BE ON THE LIST**.

An abridged timeline

- October 1993: The Charlottetown Accord, a final attempt to add Québec to the Constitution as a "distinct society", is rejected in a nation-wide referendum. The social make-over had been negotiated behind closed doors by a handful of federal and provincial premiers who expected Canadians to simply swallow this revised (and yet strangely outdated) version of Canadian society. They didn't.
- 1994: Due to ill health, Québec Premier Robert Bourassa (who was among the premiers negotiating in Charlottetown) resigns. Daniel

Johnston takes his place as Liberal leader and premier of Québec.

- September 1994: The incumbent Liberals are defeated in a surprisingly close vote by the Parti Québécois (PQ), led by Jacques Parizeau.

- During the election campaign, the PQ runs on a platform of sovereignty, while the Liberals promise more jobs and an end to constitutional talks.

- Jacques Parizeau promises that during his tenure as leader, a vote on the future of Québec and its place in the Canadian Confederation will be held.

- October 1994: Parizeau releases the *Projet de Loi* (draft bill on sovereignty) which lays the groundwork for separation and the establishment of Québec as a sovereign nation. The 'Declaration of Independence' is intentionally left blank for the people to fill in their vision.

- Spring 1995: Parizeau launches the traveling commission (la Commission nationale sur l'avenir du Québec) to meet with Quebecers across the province. They hold public forums for two months to gather input for the details of a sovereign Québec.

- Spring 1995: The provincial Liberals boycott the commission, led by Marcel Massé, claiming that the forum does not provide an adequately open discussion on the future of Québec.

- Summer, 1995: With support for separation stuck at 45%, disagreements begin between Parizeau and the leader of the federal Bloc Québécois, Lucien Bouchard. Bouchard favours a referendum only when it can be assuredly won; while

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QUÉBEC'S HEALTH CARE UN

BY ANUP GREWAL

While no one in the Québec health sector denied the need for a major restructuring of the system, neither were they prepared for Québec Minister of Health and Social Services Jean Rochon's slash and burn health reform proposal.

On May 18th, staff and patients at nine Montréal hospitals woke up to the shocking news that the province was planning to shut them and four hospitals in Québec City down. This was all part of the province's new austerity plan which aims to cut \$190 million from the public health sector.

Larry Lincoln, orthopedic surgeon at the Queen Elizabeth Hospital — set to get the axe in 1996 — commented on the fact that while slashing health care is a trend across Canada, "no province has gone to such extremes. Even in Ontario the process is slow. Alberta has backed off and Saskatchewan is only cutting 540 beds. So it is just the PQ [Parti Québécois] that is giving the big bang."

Amid the panic at the hospitals was a sense of incredulity and injustice. Lincoln decried the actions of the government. "No one consulted us or anything. We had to read about it in the *Gazette*."

Lincoln dismissed the new proposal as "strictly a cost cutting measure under the guise of improving health care."

A similar sentiment was echoed by patients and workers at Reddy Memorial, Bellchasse, Catherine Booth, Saint Michel, Saint Jeanne D'Arc, Guy Laporte, Gouin-Rosemont, Saint-Laurent, Villa Médica and Lachine General — the other eight hospitals on Rochon's hit list.

Since May, the hospitals have joined community groups and unions in an effort to protest Rochon's plan, which is haphazard at best and potentially disastrous.

The budget says it all

The Montréal Regional Board of Health and Social Services conducted public hearings for restructuring the Montréal Region's health and social services in April in response to the provincial budget cuts. The results were published in a report entitled "Achieving a New Balance."

Regan Plante, executive director at Reddy Memorial, recalled that at the time "there was a general consensus that a re-organisation of services was needed."

The report by the Regional Board says that there was also a consensus about new priorities. The report states that "these orientations are towards services designed to prevent or shorten hospital stays by building on the shift to ambulatory care; more in-home services; and increased alternatives to hospitalisation."

Armed with the results of the consultations and a mandate from the province to slash the budget, the board decided to cut the number of hospital beds in order to make the shift to more day surgery and less hospital care.

The Board used five criteria to judge the utility and necessity of Montréal's hospital beds, including the number of acute care patients in the hospital, the ability of the hospital to change to a more ambulatory focus, the degree of specialisation at the hospital and the

of the five criteria even though it has been a leader in day surgery procedures and combin-

"WE THINK THEY JUST PICKED A LIST OF SUPERFICIAL CRITERIA TO APPLY TO DECISIONS THEY HAD ALREADY MADE." — LARRY LINCOLN,

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ing out-of-hospital care with in-hospital care.

Feeling around in the dark

One of the main grievances of the Regional Board's critics is that it ignored its own report. The report documents that "many participants [in the consultations] stressed the need to put new services in place before making the planned cutbacks. This transition plan would have to include measures related to the workforce and to the services to the public."

And this is expressly what did not happen. The glossy charts and optimistic tone of the proposals do not hide the fact that there is no concrete plan to replace the health care being taken away.

Lincoln said he believes the Regional Board and the Province are "just feeling around in the dark."

The Board's solution to the hospital closings is to create more out-patient care and

walk-in medical services within the existing CLSC clinics and develop homecare services for those who need long-term supervision.

But critics don't believe the existing structure will withstand the burden imposed by the hospital closings. Lincoln fears women, who are often the care givers at home, may be hit particularly hard.

Even the advocates of the plan to shift more responsibility to the CLSC warn of the need for large invest-

ments. Mirielle Le Masson, programme consultant at the Federation of CLSC, said that while the Rochon plan is a "change for the best" she also admitted that "if the government wants us, CLSC, to answer to the growing need, we must have more resources."

Rumblings of private care

Lincoln predicted that "somebody will have to take the place of the hospitals when the public medical system is inadequate. Then private medicine looks more attractive."

There is already disquieting evidence for this. Last month, a hotel in Laval Quebec announced that it would open services for elderly patients who need homecare. However, the services are only available to those who can afford the \$200-a-night the hotel will charge.

There is an uneasy sense in the healthcare sector that the money will increasingly become the determinant of good health.

Simon Caron, the deputy health minister, said choices have to be made. Commenting on the CLSC, he said "Certainly [the CLSC] don't respond to all requests... But no system is perfect. I can't make all the purchases I would like to make. I have to make choices."

For many, comparing shopping to health care doesn't bode well for the future.

Talking to a wall
On the August 5th, without responding to any of the protests, proposals or negotiations, Rochon decided to accept the recommendations of the Regional Board on implementing the budget cuts he proposed.

By law, the minister must give a 45 day grace period before he makes an official recommendation to the provincial government. The grace period ends on September 19.

The situation does not look hopeful, as Rochon has refused to listen up to this point. But hospitals and the communities around them are keeping up the pressure.

While hospital administrators draw up alternatives which they say are more long-term and more

cost effective than the Rochon plan, hospital unions are fighting on another front.

According to the estimates by the Regional Board, the Rochon plan will result in the loss of 6 200 jobs. Jeff Begely of the Federation des Affaires Sociales (FAS), a union represented at most of the nine Montréal hospitals, estimated a loss of 12 000 jobs.

Begely said that while the FAS is not opposed to reorganisation of the health sector in

Who Whos

The images seemed vaguely familiar as they were broadcast on the CBC evening news. Canadian soldiers and police, riding in armoured personnel carriers usually seen in photos of Bosnia or Somalia, surrounding an isolated encampment. Behind the razor wire were the 'Indians', bandannas covering their faces, wearing camouflage jackets and carrying guns.

For the second time in five years, the Canadian government has sent the police and army of the nation against a small group of native people defending their rights to the land.

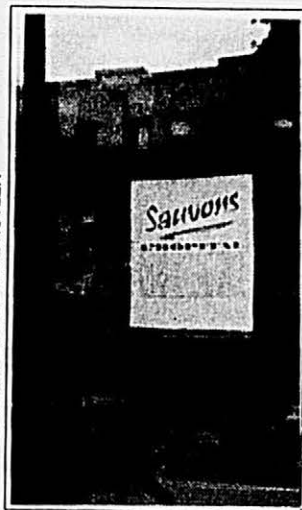
For almost two weeks, about twenty men and women — the Defenders of the Shushwap Nation — have been besieged by over one hundred Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP). The Defenders have been camped on the land of a local cattle rancher, Lyle James, by Gustafsen Lake in the interior of British Columbia. They claim that they are asserting their right to the site as a sacred area, a site for *Tamwanas* — sundance ceremonies.

The BC government, with most of the local media in tow, has been quick to paint the situation as a problem of 'law and order'. Staff Sergeant Peter Montague, the local RCMP commander on the scene, has called the Defenders "terrorists, criminals and thugs". Both the Attorney General, Ujjal Dosanjh, and the Premier, Mike Harcourt, have categorically denied that the Defenders have any legitimate claim to the site.

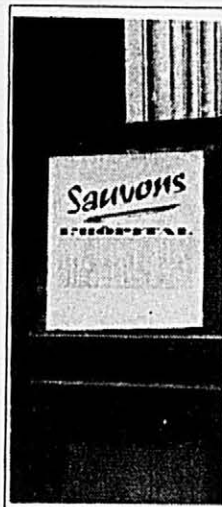
Brent Thompson, a spokesperson for the Attorney General, said "we regard this as a problem for the RCMP, and we have complete confidence in their sensitivity and care in this issue."

"They have no legal right to be there," he continued, "and there is no land claims process for that area. This is simply a law enforcement issue."

In reality, however, the situation is much more complex.



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DER THE KNIFE

PROVINCE PLANS TO CLOSE NINE HOSPITALS IN MONTRÉAL

principal, it is opposed to "the way it is done with no consideration except the economics of the government."

The FAS and other unions are undergoing negotiations with the province for concrete assurance of job replacement for those working at the nine hospitals.

The Notre-Dame-de-Grace (NDG) community council is mobilising citizens. Steven Laudi, president of the council, said the elderly population of

NDG is worried about who will take care of them.

On September 13th at 17h 00, the council is organising a march from NDG Park to the Queen Elizabeth Hospital. Laudi said the council hopes "other communities will take the initiative to show that citizens can mobilise in various ways."

Laudi explained that the aim of the march is to suspend the closures while the Regional Board does "the work it has not yet done," namely more

meaningful studies of how to restructure the system.

A Lobster trap

One voice that has been rather quiet, strangely so some say, is McGill's Faculty of Medicine. Lincoln questioned the silence, saying "we find it very strange that McGill is not supporting us more. They just left us alone."

Dean Richard Cruess of the Faculty of Medicine said that McGill does support the hos-

pitals' cause. "We have students at the hospitals and we are part of the community. So we are concerned," said Cruess.

At the same time, Cruess admitted that "we have accepted the plans of the Régie (the Regional Board)."

McGill's position may sound contradictory but is not surprising. McGill has been planning an amalgamation of its five teaching hospitals since 1991. The same criticisms that

have been made of the Rochon plan were made of McGill's plan by unions, workers and patients.

None of the five hospitals has been targeted by the provincial cuts. In some ways the province is helping McGill, because the brunt of the opposition is now against the province. McGill's amalgamation plan, largely untouched by the cuts, can now proceed quietly.

In this period of uncertainty there is an undertone of

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LOSE 'LAW' AND 'ORDER?'

The Siege at Gustafsen Lake

BY M-J MILLOY

The Road to Gustafsen Lake

The origins of the dispute go back six summers, to early 1989, when a local cattle rancher was approached by the Sundance Society of the Shushwap Nation to hold a 10 day sundance ceremony on his ranch. For four years, James allowed the Society the 10 day period, until they moved to a different location. For the last two years, according to James, he has allowed a different group to hold the same sundance ceremony.

This June, at the end of this year's sundance, James discovered that the Defenders had remained behind. He tried to evict them, but they refused — and the dispute began a slow but steady escalation to armed stand-off.

The RCMP was quick to move into the area and establish an effective blockade.

A news-release posted to the Internet by an observer in the area, Ernie Jacob, summarised the RCMP tactics: "[they] surrounded the camp with a heavily armed SWAT (Emergency Response Team)". Later reports suggested that reinforcements with dogs and more guns had moved into the area.

The RCMP has banned anyone from going into or out of the camp, including Bruce Clark, the lawyer for the Defenders. As well, the RCMP, in control of the only radio-phone link to the Defenders camp, has allowed little contact with family or friends of the Defenders.

Aside from manoeuvres on the ground, the RCMP started air manoeuvre tactics. "They have been harassing the camp with low-level helicopter flights, provoking the expected rifle fire [from the Defenders]" says Jacob.

Reminiscent of Oka, "standard psychological warfare tactics have begun — depriving [the Defenders] of sleep, food, communication, hope," concluded Kahn-Tineta Horn, from the Canadian Alliance in Solidarity with Native People.

Tensions were further escalated by the shooting of two RCMP officers last

week. While trying to clear a log from the front of the barricade, the two officers were hit by several rounds but were not injured due to their body-armour.

The Defenders' lawyer, Clark, claimed the next day that the RCMP had started the shooting. Although the incident remains vague, what is clear is that the RCMP actions have so far not resulted in a peaceful settlement and have probably served only to provoke the lightly armed Defenders inside the camp.

"One wonders how a peaceful settlement is possible when the police are demanding an unconditional surrender, have cut off communications, and are preparing to launch an armed assault on the camp whenever they deem necessary," said Jacob. "Where are their mediators and conflict resolution experts?"

"We are not squatters on our homeland"

The conflict at Gustafsen Lake has developed and remained unresolved due to powerful intersecting political interests.

The conflict has quickly been used by all parties in the upcoming provincial election as an important political weapon. Writing in the Vancouver Sun, the leader of the provincial Reform Party, Jack Weisberger, used the conflict to argue for a 'get-tough' policy on the province's native people.

For Weisberger, Gustafsen Lake is "one more striking demonstration of the necessity of treating all Canadians equally under the law." This thinly-veiled racist attack on the inherent rights of the province's native people was echoed by the national Reform Leadership, who called for "quick action" to resolve the problem — not ruling out the possible use of armed force by the RCMP.

After a summer of conflicts between native groups and the province, the Gustafsen Lake situation has become symbolic of the NDP's inability to im-

prove native-non-native relations.

In 1992, one of the NDP's main election promises was to quickly resolve outstanding land claims, which cover the vast majority of the province. Their inability to do so has become a political liability.

"The NDP has gone out and promised the sun, the moon, and just about everything in-between to the aboriginals," said Garry Farell-Collins, the Liberal House Leader. "Now they realise they can't deliver — economically or politically."

In response to these opposition attacks, the NDP has suddenly moved from

"What they are expressing in terms of sovereignty and aboriginal rights are, from my perspective, not extremist. I don't think we are squatters or trespassers in our own homeland."

Saul Terry, leader of the BC Union of Indian Chiefs, agrees that many people have been using Gustafsen Lake as justification for a 'get tough' policy.

The NDP has done this by consistently portraying the Defenders as criminals and contending that their claims are illegitimate.

Attorney General Dosanjh has stated that "there is no logic in attempting to deal with [the Defenders]" in a po-

litical discussion. Dosanjh has been repeatedly supported by Premier Mike Harcourt in his decision to allow the RCMP to resolve the situation. Harcourt has stated that his "patience is wearing very thin."

The BC government has received luke-warm support for their actions from the national and local native leadership.

The local band council, the Cariboo Tribal Council, agreed with Dosanjh that there is "no significance to the cattle ranch land" being claimed by the Defenders. As well, they have condemned the Defenders for rejecting "all governments and laws... including the First Nations governments."

The Grand Chief of the Assembly of First Nations, Ovide Mercredi, visited the camp over the weekend in an attempt to resolve the dispute. Although he condemned the use of violence, he rejected Dosanjh's characterisation of the Defenders.

"The individuals are not terrorists," he said. "They are people with strong convictions — they are not criminals."

Although many native leaders disagree with their tactics, they concur with the beliefs of the Defenders.

"What they are expressing in terms of sovereignty and aboriginal rights are, from my perspective, not extremist," said Saul Terry. "I don't think we are squatters or trespassers in our own homeland."

Heroism or Terrorism?

The BC government's objection to a political discussion with the Defenders appears all the more dubious when the historic relationship between natives and non-natives in British Columbia is considered.

Unlike the rest of Canada, the territory of British Columbia was never signed away in treaties by native

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RAISING OUR VOICES

COMPILED BY JACQUELINE REIS AND ROBIN PERELLE

MCGILL ACTIVISM: LAST YEAR IN REVIEW

Universities are funny animals. While pursuing their stated goal of enlightening students' minds, they often deaden individual intellects by processing too many minds at once. Most McGill students are assigned a number before they even attend a class.

But students can and do break out of this facelessness, on occasion. Last year's student body rallied around issues like Canada's proposed social reforms and the precarious state of the African Studies program. Clearly McGill's administration is not the impenetrable monolith it may seem to be. Here's a sampling of how students became involved last year:



September

- African Studies students find their program on the chopping block again. With help from student initiatives, it holds on for another year despite staff cuts and a general lack of support from the administration.

- McGill continues to stall on the implementation of a racial harassment policy, making it one of the only universities in Canada without such a structure.

- Students demonstrate outside the Bronfman Building to protest the proposed visit of a World Bank recruiter.

- Student volunteers canvass the student ghetto with questionnaires to assess the safety of the area. While the audit clearly finds security lacking, changes have yet to be made.

October

- The federal government releases proposals to cut Canada's social security net. Students fear tuition fees will double as education subsidies, among many others, are targeted.

- Students stage a protest outside the Moot Court while the source of their discontent — Human Resources Minister Lloyd Axworthy and his reform proposals — faces the public inside.

- Students' Society once again denies the Inter-Greek Letter Council (IGLC) club status on the grounds that its member fraternities and sororities discriminate on the basis of gender, financial status and possibly race. In protesting the IGLC's bad rep based on past actions, then IGLC VP External Natalie Frank said, "You can't assume that people are discriminatory if they're members of the KKK just because the KKK has discriminated in the past." Right.

- Students take shovels and a new attitude to the administration's usual refuse in Québec's first ever large-scale waste audit held by McGill's chapter of the Québec Public Interest Research Group (Q-PIRG).

- The deadline for student applications to meet with Axworthy representatives comes and goes with many student leaders uninformed of the event.

November

- Student Senate reps try unsuccessfully to amend the proposed guilty-of-plagiarism-until-you-prove-yourself-innocent Student Code of Conduct.

- Irwin Gopnik, then dean of students, follows his own interpretation of the democratic process and unsuccessfully tries to push changes to the Student Code of Conduct through Senate just days after student leaders received their copies of the changes.

- Students express their concern that departed Professor Aronson be replaced

by another Africanist, but the Anthropology Department resists making this the sole focus of their ad. The survival of the African Studies Major program is again jeopardised by a possible credit deficit. Said one professor, "I strongly supported the African Studies' side, but...I don't think it's bad to say outstanding candidates can apply too." Who knows — maybe they could even find an outstanding Africanist!

- Students' Society councilors vote to provisionally rejoin the Fédération des Étudiant(e)s Universitaires du Québec (FEUQ) three years after students voted to withdraw from the organisation. VP External Nick Benedict states that he "would be here in a nanosecond to withdraw from FEUQ" if the organisation adopts a pro-sovereignty stance.

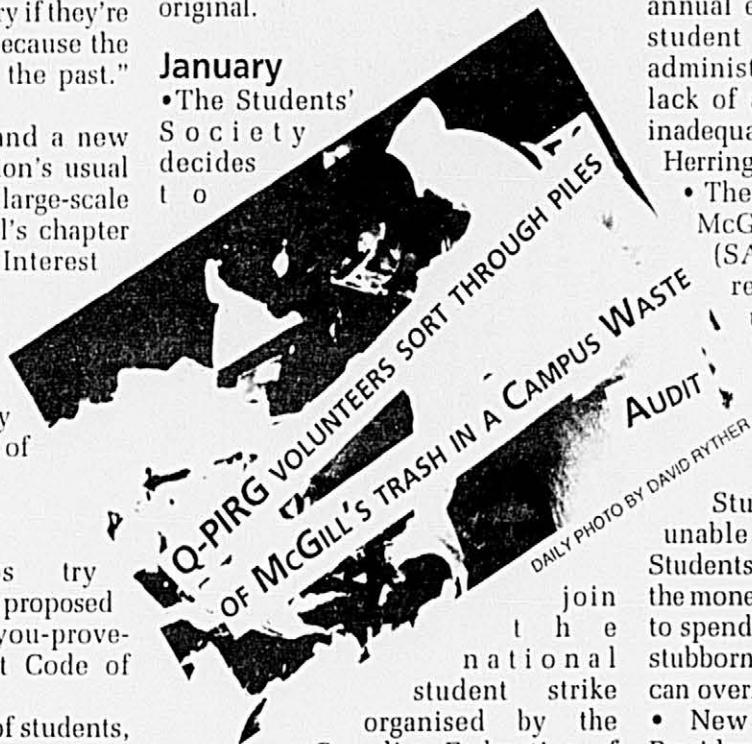
- The Canadian Federation of Students (CFS) votes to stage a one-day nationwide strike on Jan. 25, 1995 to protest the government's social security reform proposals. Only the Post-Graduate Students' Society, not SSMU, is a member of CFS.

- 12 000 students march on Parliament to protest the Axworthy reforms. The diminutive size of the 40-member McGill delegation reveals an astounding apathy toward students' own future. A larger contingent from MacDonald Campus goes largely unnoticed by the downtowners.

- The Students' Society's External Affairs Committee draws up alternatives to the Axworthy Green Paper without widespread student consultation — much the way the Axeman himself wrote the original.

January

- The Students' Society decides to



join the national student strike organised by the Canadian Federation of Students (CFS) while voting to become a member of the Canadian Alliance of Student Associations (CASA).

- Student and social groups 15 000 strong march through Montréal to protest the Axworthy reforms.

Nationwide, the Canadian Federation of Students estimates that over 94 000 students joined the demonstrations in an impressive display of unity.

February

- Québec students, unions and senior citizens pack the Palais des Congrès in a demonstration organised by the Fédération des Étudiant(e)s Universitaires du Québec (FEUQ) to protest the Axworthy reforms.

- The Commission on the Future of Québec comes to Montréal. VP External Nick Benedict declines the group's invitation to submit a brief, citing Students' Society bylaws which prohibit stands on "divisive external issues". Other groups, like Lesbian, Bisexual, and Gay Students of McGill (LBGM), are not so hesitant.

- Finance Minister Paul Martin outlines his plans to chop \$13.4 billion from social program expenditures, including education subsidies. The Canadian Federation of Students joins a wave of opposition to the cuts.

March

- McGill administrators release a plan calling for 20 per cent university-wide budget cuts over the next five years. Students feel they're being buffeted from all ends.

- Hopefuls jump on the campaign trail as the Students' Society gears up for another annual election. Key issues include student under-representation on administrative committees, McGill's lack of a racial harassment policy, inadequate daycare facilities, and Red Herring mock-candidates.

- The Sexual Assault Centre of the McGill Students' Society (SACOMSS) proposes a referendum question for the upcoming elections in order to escape the umbrella of the Students' Society budget.

- Students' Society President Sevag Yeghoyan discovers extra money in the Student Services budget but is unable to convince then Dean of Students Irwin Gopnik either to refund the money or to let students decide how to spend it. The process shows how a stubborn dean with the principal's ear can override student proposals.

- New slate: Students' Society President Helena Myers, VP Finance Kelly Remail, VP University Affairs Lisa Grushcow, and VP Internal Jen Harding are elected. VP External Nick Benedict is reelected. The Sexual Assault Centre wins the right to charge students directly for three years.

- VP External Nick Benedict is

"surprised" to learn of the Fédération des Étudiant(e)s Universitaires du Québec's (FEUQ's) public separatist declarations. His earlier promise that FEUQ would never take a sovereigntist stance has councilors wondering if Benedict deliberately misled them or was duped himself.

- More than 150 students gather on the steps of the Arts Building to demand that McGill prioritise and expand the African Studies program. But African Studies still must struggle to stay afloat while similar programs wallow in million-dollar endowments.

- The Students' Society votes to condemn Human Life International (HLI), a racist, homophobic, anti-Semitic, sexist, anti-abortion group



scheduled to hold its annual world conference in Montréal. Many McGill students join the Montréal Coalition Against HLI and urge the group to take their hatred elsewhere.

- VP Finance Paul Johnson announces that Miraval will replace Marriott as McGill's food service

provider but will not take control of Gert's or the Alley, thus leaving the door open for a student co-op. Apparently the door slammed shut over the summer. [See story in this issue.]

April

- The Mouvement pour le droit à l'éducation, a new student association committed to accessible education, stages a mock funeral procession to mourn the passing of low tuition fees.

May

- The affair ends: Dean of Students Irwin Gopnik bids his office and student leaders a not-so-fond farewell. Rosalie Jukier prepares to take his place.

- Students heading for Health Services for a subsidised Hepatitis B vaccination are surprised to find that the coverage just ain't there. Then VP Finance Paul Johnson neglected to tell Students' Society councilors that Seaboard Life Insurance would only cover the vaccinations if student claims remained low. Here's to your health, Paul.

And here's to another year of student activism.

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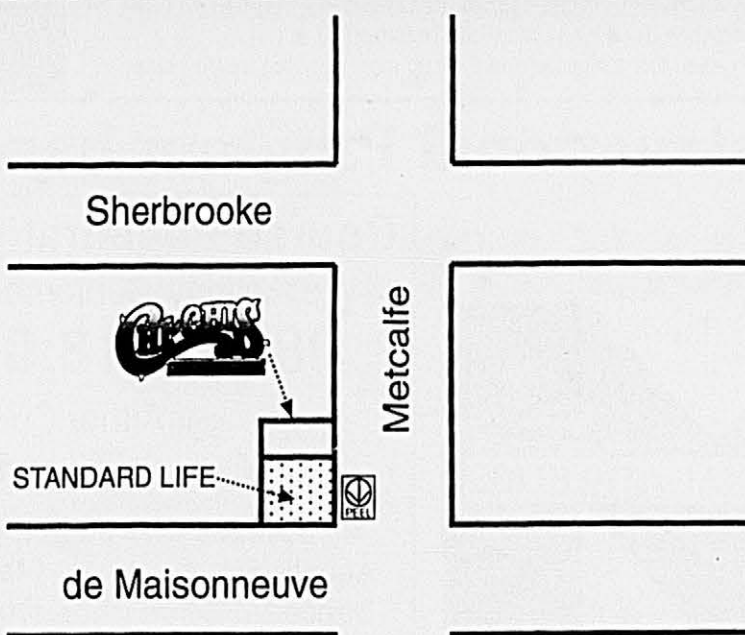
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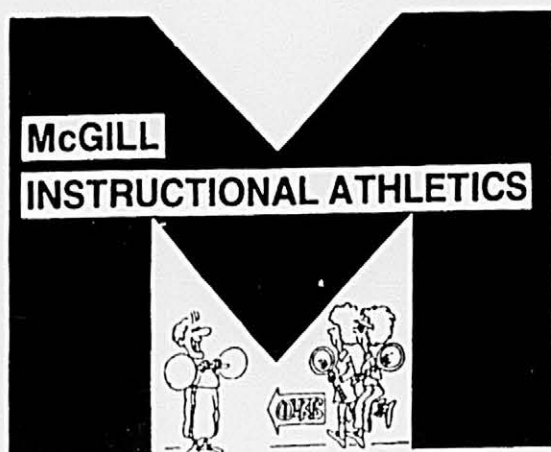
INTRAMURAL SPORTS PROGRAM

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BADMINTON TOURNAMENT	MEN WOMEN DOUBLES	\$7.00 per player	Oct. 18, 09:00 to Oct. 25, 17:00	1	N/A	Draw posted Campus Rec Office Oct. 26, 17:00 hrs.	Oct. 28	Oct. 28 & 29 10:00 - 18:00 hrs.	Currie Gym
BASKETBALL LEAGUE	MEN A,B WOMEN	\$70.00 per team	Sept. 19, 09:00 to Sept. 27, 17:00	10	16	Sept. 27, 18:30 hrs. Field House	Oct. 2	Mon. 18:45-23:00 Tue. 18:15-23:00 Sun. 10:30-18:00	Field House
CROSS COUNTRY	CO-REC	\$20.00 per team	Sept. 5, 09:00 to Sept. 26, 17:00	3 Men & 2 Women	7	Oct. 1, 09:00 hrs. Molson Stadium	Oct. 1	Sun. Oct. 1, 10:00 hrs.	Mount Royal
FLAG FOOTBALL LEAGUE	MEN WOMEN	\$70.00 per team	Sept. 5, 09:00 to Sept. 12, 17:00	12	18	Sept. 12, 18:30 hrs. Field House	Sept. 16	Mon. 18:00-21:00 Fri. 18:00-21:00 Sat. 09:00-17:00 Sun. 09:00-17:00	Forbes Field and Lower Campus
CURLING BONSPIEL	CO-REC	\$20.00 per team	Oct. 18, 09:00 to Oct. 25, 17:00	4	4	Oct. 28, 09:00 hrs Thistle Curling Club	Oct. 28	Oct. 28 09:00-18:00	Thistle Curling Club
HOCKEY LEAGUE (FALL & WINTER)	MEN A,B,C WOMEN	\$360.00 per team	Sept. 20 08:30 - 17:00	13	20	Sept. 20, 18:30 hrs. Currie, Rm. 408	Oct. 1	Mon. 19:15-00:30 Tue. 20:15-00:30 Wed. 19:15-00:30 Fri. 19:15-00:30 Sun. 14:30-24:00	McConnell Winter Stadium
SOCCER LEAGUE	MEN A,B,C WOMEN	\$100.00 per team	Sept. 5, 09:00 to Sept. 12, 17:00	13	20	Sept. 12, 18:30 hrs. Field House	Sept. 16	Mon. to Fri. 21:00-23:30 Sat. & Sun. 09:00-23:00	Molson Stadium
SOFTBALL LEAGUE	MEN CO-REC	\$70.00 per team	Sept. 5, 09:00 to Sept. 12, 17:00	Men - 12 Co-rec - 7 Men & 5 Women	18	Sept. 12, 18:30 hrs. (M) 9:30 hrs. (Co-Rec) Field House	Sept. 17	Mon. to Fri. 16:00-18:00 Sat. 09:00-18:00 Sun. 09:00-18:00	Middle Field and Molson Stadium
TENNIS TOURNAMENT (OUTDOOR)	MEN A,B WOMEN	\$7.00 per player	Sept. 5, 09:00 to Sept. 12, 17:00	1	N/A	Draw posted Campus Rec Office Sept. 13, 17:00 hrs.	Sept. 15	Sept. 16 to 25	Forbes Field Tennis Courts
ULTIMATE LEAGUE	CO-REC	\$70.00 per team	Sept. 5, 09:00 to Sept. 12, 17:00	5 Men & 5 Women	18	Sept. 12, 18:30 hrs. Field House	Sept. 16	Sat. 09:00-17:00 Sun. 09:00-17:00	Forbes Field
VOLLEYBALL LEAGUE	MEN WOMEN	\$70.00 per team	Sept. 19, 09:00 to Sept. 27, 17:00	10	16	Sept. 27, 18:30 hrs. Field House	Oct. 2	Mon. 19:15-23:00 Tue. 19:15-23:00 Wed. 19:15-23:00	Currie Gym
VOLLEYBALL LEAGUE	CO-REC A,B	\$70.00 per team	Sept. 19, 09:00 to Sept. 27, 17:00	5 Men & 5 Women	16	Sept. 27, 19:30 hrs. Field House	Oct. 4	Wed. 18:45-23:00 Thur. 18:15-23:00 Fri. 18:45-23:00	Field House
3 ON 3 VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT	MEN WOMEN	\$20.00 per team	Nov. 15, 09:00 to Nov. 22, 17:00	3	4	Draw posted Campus Rec Office Nov. 23, 17:00 hrs.	Nov. 25	Nov. 25 & Nov. 26	Field House
WATERPOLO LEAGUE	MEN WOMEN	\$70.00	Sept. 19, 09:00 to Sept. 27, 17:00	10	16	Sept. 27, 18:30 hrs. Field House	Oct. 1	Sat. 15:00-18:00 Sun. 15:00-18:00	Currie Pool

- In many sports space is limited — registration is on a first come first served basis.
- Please note that registration deadlines are strictly enforced.
- A representative from each team must attend the captains' meeting for that sport.

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Step Aerobics is a challenging low impact class based around stepping onto an adjustable platform.

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Friday 18:00 - 18:55 hrs
Saturday, Sunday 12:00 - 12:55 hrs

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Saturday, Sunday 13:00 - 13:55 hrs

Cost: Gymnasium Members \$1.70*/\$2.50/class
Tickets go on sale the Sir Arthur Currie Gymnasium 15 minutes before class.

*Book of 10 tickets for \$17.00 purchased in advance (members only).

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COURT PAUSES TO CONSIDER MUMIA ABU-JAMAL'S CASE

BY RYAN FITZGERALD

Life on death row is an isolating experience for hundreds of men and women. Just as their lives are about to be cut short, the state confines them in a separate cell block, usually in the basement, away from the other prisoners. As deep in the bowels of society as the state can bury you.

On August 13, a mass of protesters marched from the Tam-Tam Jam at Mont-Royal to the US Consulate, demonstrating on behalf of imprisoned black American activist and journalist Mumia Abu-Jamal.

Arrested for murder in connection with the December 9, 1981 fatal shooting of Philadelphia police officer Daniel Faulkner, Abu-Jamal already had a high profile as the founder of that city's chapter of the Black Panther Party.

At the time of his arrest Abu-Jamal was the leader of MOVE, a housing rights cooperative which had often demonstrated against the government's disruptive urban re-development schemes in the city.

Abu-Jamal maintains that before dawn on that morning he returned home to find officer Faulkner beating his brother with a flashlight. While fighting with the officer, Abu-Jamal was shot in the chest. The police found him lying on the curb unconscious and near death. Officer Faulkner was dead.

The state maintains that Abu-Jamal used his .38 calibre pistol, which was recovered at the scene, to shoot Faulkner. But a medical examiner at the trial presented ballistic evidence revealing the bullet came from a .44 calibre pistol.

Onlookers have criticised police involvement in the Abu-Jamal case, accusing them of compromising the case. When the prosecution sought key testimony from a cab driver, who happened to be on probation for arson, police promised to forgive his suspended license. When a prostitute, who had previously been arrested 38 times, provided an eyewitness account police promised to look the other way if she returned to the street.

Other witnesses stepped forward with accounts of the shooting that contradicted the prosecution's description of the killer. They were threatened by police and their testimony was dismissed by the courts.

In the mean time, Judge Albert Sabo dismissed Abu-Jamal's first attorney, citing "gross negligence of the client's interest." Sabo ordered the arrest of another defense attorney who attempted to submit evidence of police surveillance on Abu-Jamal. Key oversights in police procedure, and evi-

dence and witness tampering have all added to an atmosphere of judicial impropriety.

Media leakage

When the jury took only four hours to convict Abu-Jamal in 1981, the swiftness and irregularity of the trial brought his case to the forefront of American Human Rights activism.

People aware of the web of FBI and police surveillance and harassment surrounding Panther activists in general, and Abu-Jamal in particular, immediately recognised the political gravity of the case.

The facts and circumstances of the case finally began penetrating mainstream North American media with news of Sabo's August 14 stay of execution. This was the first significant development in the case since the federal courts refused to see the defense's appeal.

Newsweek and Associated Press articles moved the story from the media's periphery to the fore, for a while. It has been a long time coming.

Protest here in Canada

The events surrounding the case continue to draw political reaction. Philadelphia housing advocate and former MOVE member Ramona Africa was arrested at the airport when she came to Montréal in late July to speak to two forums on the fate of Abu-Jamal. Africa was interned for 18 hours at the Immigration Prevention Centre on rue St-Jacques and sent home without being allowed to speak.

The government claimed that her arrest after a police

raid on MOVE's Philadelphia headquarters (in which several adults and children were massacred) made her a criminal, ineligible for even temporary immigration. Despite federal government resistance and media ignorance, people are responding and becoming aware of the case.

As the August 17 date of execution approached, a flower-

Governor Tom Ridge, who promptly signed Abu Jamal's death warrant. The latest team of lawyers has thus far failed to have their appeal heard by higher courts.

The most recent action taken in the courts, a stay of execution written by Judge Sabo, will allow the defense to mount a petition to appeal the capital sentencing of Abu-Jamal. But this is



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ing of opposition sprung up on behalf of Abu-Jamal. Demonstrations this summer included a 10 000-strong gathering at Washington Park in New York City and numerous marches to the courthouse where Abu-Jamal's trial took place. Similar protests were held across the United States, Canada and in Paris, Rome and Berlin

A lifetime of harassment

But time is running out for Abu-Jamal. Earlier last year Pennsylvania elected its first pro-death penalty candidate,

meaningless if Abu-Jamal is not granted an appeal. The stay is merely a pause in the case, with Abu-Jamal's life still hanging in the balance, and a positive outcome nowhere in sight.

*To become aware, get involved, and learn more:
call Equal Justice in the USA at (301)699.0042
the Mumia Emergency Response Network (215) 476.8812
The Librairie Alternative is organising a demonstration in front of the American Consulate on September 11. For info call 844.3207*

QUÉBEC'S HEALTH CARE

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"WE HAVE ACCEPTED THE PLANS OF THE RÉGIE."

— RICHARD CRUESS, DEAN OF THE FACULTY OF MEDICINE

resentment directed at the Parti Québécois. Begely speculated that "it is a worrisome start to things... All around, social programmes are taking a beating, but the fact of the matter is, they (the PQ) promised something different, and they are not delivering."

The Québec government, without listening to the voices of those who work in the health

sector, is getting ready to send public health care up in smoke.

Paul Thribault sent a clear message to the PQ by noting that "once you close down these institutions, it is like go-

ing in a lobster trap. You can't get out again. Maybe that is language that M. Parizeau will understand."

For more information on the demonstration for the Queen Elizabeth hospital to be held at 7pm on September 13 at NDG park, call the NDG Community Council at 484-1471

GOING GREEN

Mayor Bourque unleashes his plans

By HYPATIA FRANCIS

Montréal does not have a spotless environmental record. When Pierre Bourque, former director of the Montreal Botanical Garden, was elected last autumn, he made it clear that he planned to improve on his successors.

Initiating a new city program named *Éco quartiers*, Bourque is attempting to make good on his campaign promises.

The basic plan of the project is to encourage neighbourhood beautification and waste reduction. But, says Yves Leroy, coordinator of Tandem YMCA Park Ave., the project is "about more than just recycling, it is about the quality of life."

City Hall has divided the *quartiers* along the lines of electoral districts and has awarded separate contracts to individual groups who will work closely with the people of each district.

Through this program, Bourque said he hopes to "make Montréal an environmental capital." Still in its pilot-project stage this year, the program is being implemented in twenty districts on the north of the island. The remaining districts will be included over the next two years.

With an ambitious target of 40% reduction of waste over the next four years, the plan will rely on significant participation from community groups, individuals and neighbourhood initiatives. According to the Service de la propriété the programme is "linked to

the residents' sense of belonging" to their community.

The Bourque administration may be the first municipal government in North America to spearhead such an expansive grass-roots movement.

Critics of the programme charge that Bourque is in fact not facing up to his pledge to be a 'green mayor'. While concentrating on good publicity for the *quartiers*, Bourque has neglected the large discrepancy in green space between rich and poor areas and the continuing use of pesticides in public parks.

Bourque has also raised much interest with his uncharacteristically decentralized approach toward contract allocation in the *quartiers*. By contracting out to non-government organisations, the Bourque administration has opened up a new and democratic avenue of citizen participation and empowerment.

In each of the districts, different groups were awarded municipal contracts of fifty thousand dollars to get the program underway. In some cases these groups were already well established environmental organisations, such as the Quebec Public Interest Research Group (Q-PIRG.), or P.A.R.I. St. Michel. Several others were created by residents solely for the purpose of this program.

On the one hand, this could mean that the best interests of each neighbourhood are represented by local participants. But critics point out that it could also create

a discrepancy between the standards of improvement in neighbourhoods of varying affluence.

With only basic guidelines to oversee plan implementation, some worry that important measures such as waste reduction will take a back seat to neighbourhood beautification.

Danielle Lussier of the Service de la propriété argues otherwise. She says that the city "is hoping to create permanent change." The program, says Lussier, has basic objectives to which all of the participating groups must adhere.

These objectives include concrete measures such as waste reduction and recycling. How these goals are achieved will depend on the individual districts.

The Bourque government has given the communities involved a timeline in which to demonstrate progress. City Hall's advisory committee will review each of the districts in December in order to decide whether or not their contracts will be renewed.



This gives groups participating in the program six months in which to show results. As Sybille Heisler of Action Rebut, which is working with the Laurier district, points out, six months is not a long time in which to effect change.

The deadline is pressuring the groups to begin with cosmetic, visible changes as long term measures are not always immediately apparent.

Lussier dismisses concerns over the deadline by stating that six months is a reasonable period of time "for a beginning." The point, she

says, is to see that something has been done. "Of course it will take a while before permanent change can take place," says Lussier. In other words, this is just a first step.

Only time will tell if this program will make any real difference in Montréalers' quality of life. If this program proves to be more than just a superficial scheme, Montréal may be on its way to leaving behind its tarnished reputation.

If you are interested in getting involved, the Quebec Public Interest Research Group (Q-PIRG.-McGill) is alive and well and can be reached at 398-7457 or at 3647 University. They will have a table at Activities Night.

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ONE MOVEMENT, TWO CAMPS

LAST YEAR A NEW NATIONAL STUDENT ORGANISATION CALLED THE CANADIAN ALLIANCE OF STUDENTS' ASSOCIATIONS (CASA) EMERGED TO CHALLENGE THE EXISTING CANADIAN FEDERATION OF STUDENTS (CFS). CASA HELD ITS FIRST ANNUAL CONFERENCE IN MONTRÉAL THIS SUMMER.

AMID GOVERNMENT CUT-BACKS AND RISING TUITION FEES, CASA DELEGATES SPENT A LONG WEEKEND AT THE HOLIDAY INN CROWN PLAZA HOTEL TRYING TO AGREE ON AN AGENDA FOR THE COMING YEAR.

THE CONFERENCE, WHICH WAS HOSTED BY MCGILL'S UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS' SOCIETY (SSMU), DREW STUDENTS FROM ACROSS THE COUNTRY TO AN EVENT THAT COULD BE THE BEGINNING OF A DIVIDED STUDENT MOVEMENT IN CANADA.

BY ASTRID JACQUES AND
ROBIN PERELLE

Since its inception last fall, CASA has been steadily siphoning supporters from the well-established CFS. In the past, however, CFS had been at the forefront of the struggle to preserve accessible education.

At a time when social programs like education are being threatened nation-wide, the emergence of a competing organisation may undermine any concerted response from the student population.

"There's no need for two student organisations in this country, especially at this time," said Brad Lavigne, a Master's student at Concordia and a member of CFS' national executive.

"These cuts should unify us, but some people want to be kings of the castle. They didn't want to wait to enter the CFS executive, so they formed their own association. Students will not benefit from CASA's existence," he added.

But CASA executives insist that their organisation provides a much needed alternative to CFS, which they claim has become both ineffective and inefficient.

"The politicians that were setting educational policies simply weren't listening anymore, because CFS was taking such radical stands [like zero tuition]," explained Pat Fitzpatrick, vp external of the University of New Brunswick's student society, which joined CASA last year.

"Policies which are seemingly ideal, like zero tuition, aren't implementable when it comes to sitting down and talking with a government official," Fitzpatrick continued.

CFS executives maintain

that their policies are feasible and that they have achieved significant victories lobbying the government in the last 15 years.

"When CASA says the government doesn't listen to us, it's garbage. We had a very important impact on the Income Contingent Loan Repayment Plan (ICLRP) this year. The government fully intended to implement the plan but we stopped them," Lavigne responded.

"That was a victory for students and the Federation," he added.

The ICLRP called for students to begin paying for their education only after finding a job, rather than in up-front payments. Critics allege the plan not only opens the door to higher tuition fees but legitimises the concept that students should spend their lives paying off their education debts.

Last year, CFS also proved instrumental in organising nation-wide student demonstrations to protest the federal government's plans to cut social services last year.

In fact, CFS was the driving force behind the successful strike last January 25 that mobilised an estimated 100 000 protesters across the country.

CASA neither participated in the strike nor issued a clear statement condemning the anticipated tuition fee increases.

Right-wing? CASA?

Many CFS executives dismiss CASA as apologists for the government. "At the end of the day it's just a method to get on government committees," charged Lavigne.

Nick Benedict, vp external of SSMU and a co-founder of CASA, claimed that portrayal is not justified.

CFS and CASA vie for student support

"To say that CASA is right-wing just because it's not as left-wing as CFS is a fallacy. We don't support higher tuition fees. What we support is decreasing costs in the system and increasing other sources of revenue such as a grad tax," Benedict explained.

But Lavigne maintained that an organisation which claims to represent student interests should not accept a grad tax.

"A grad tax is an awful idea... What that type of system would do is entrench the idea that people should pay twice for their education: once through tuition fees and then a second time through the income tax system," he said.

Benedict was not persuaded. "It's only realistic to accept, in the current political climate, that students will be paying for their education," he said.

"That's not to say that students should be paying the full costs of their education. Society pays most of the costs right now and should definitely continue to do so. [But] students benefit, corporations benefit, society benefits — each is a stakeholder in higher education and each has a role to play," Benedict continued.

Towards that end, CASA still supports the concept of an ICLRP, even though student pressure forced the government to temporarily shelve the plan.

According to Benedict, delaying payment will decrease the initial barriers to education and let more students get to class. "All other things equal, a decently designed ICLRP is better than the current system," he said.

Lavigne was hardly convinced. "Income Contingent was never a student aid mechanism but a funding mechanism," said Lavigne.

"Instead of taxing corporations and introducing a progressive income tax system [where the rich contribute more money for programs], their plan was to take money from those who could least afford it — the students," he added.

Who needs allies?

Another source of discord between the two organisations lies in CASA's reluctance to establish links with non-student groups with compatible

concerns, such as women's groups, aboriginal groups, and anti-poverty groups.

"CASA does not believe it is relevant to spend time, energy and money forging alliances with labour unions, anti-poverty organisations and other groups fighting for social justice," stated Michael Temelini, a doctoral student at McGill and a volunteer member of CFS' national executive.

"But we see these connections as critical to ensuring that

issues... We have an infrastructure that allows the various marginalised groups to incorporate their views into our campaigns," stated Lavigne.

"It's those groups that have helped build the Federation into what it is today," he added.

One observer suggested that CASA's inadequate representation of marginalised students stems from its own composition, as the majority of conference coordinators were Caucasian males.

Countered Benedict, "Student leaders at any university are going to be disproportionately straight, white males as a general rule. The best thing to do is acknowledge this and try to figure out how to ensure that other perspectives are being represented... We formed a working group to examine how to deal with equity issues within the CASA framework."

CFS' national executive already contains an aboriginal seat, a women's commissioner and a student of colour seat to ensure that issues are covered in as comprehensive a

manner as possible.

So who should you trust?

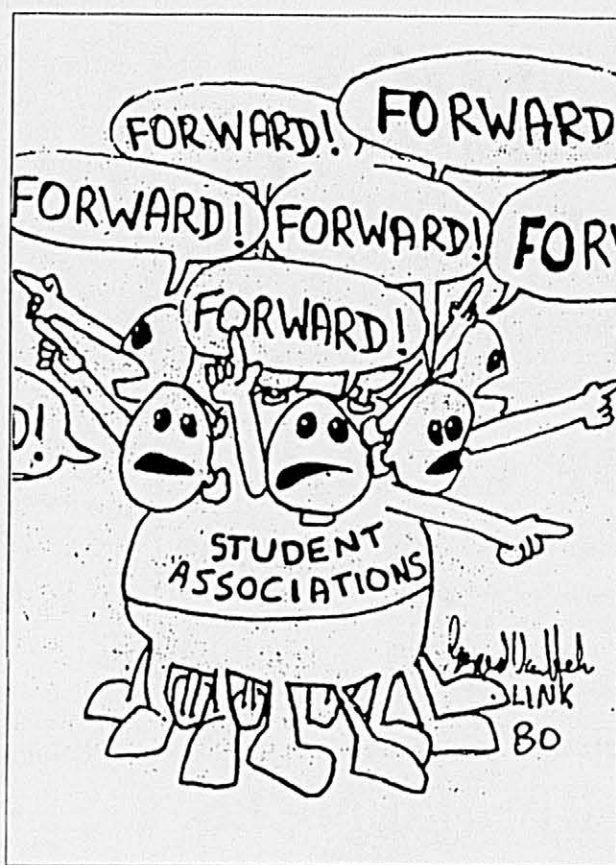
Both CASA and CFS claim to represent student interests to the federal government. They both claim to deal with issues pertinent to the general student body while striving to address the needs of all segments of that body.

Their records to date reveal, however, that they have not been equally successful at living up to these claims.

Over the past 15 years, CFS has been especially vocal on a variety of issues, from equal access to education to the importance of collaborating with other organisations with similar goals.

Having had more than a decade of practice, it seems that CFS is putting its experience to good use just when students really need a voice at the national level.

In contrast, CASA has yet to take a firm stand against the federal government's proposed cuts, despite the fact that a growing number of students — including McGill undergraduates — are depending upon the organisation to represent their best interests.



the student movement does not become isolated," he relented.

Temelini pointed out that CFS is also a part of the Action Canada Network, a coalition of various organisations fighting to preserve Canada's social safety net.

"Being in coalitions makes the student movement stronger and more influential, and ensures that other groups are aware of post-secondary issues and address them," commented Temelini.

CASA represents who?

CASA has also received much criticism for failing to reach beyond the boundaries of the "typical" middle-class undergraduate's needs.

"CASA represents a small bunch of conservative student council executives who are either advocating the status quo or apologising for government cut-backs," charged Lavigne.

While Benedict admitted that CASA primarily focuses on undergraduate issues, he insisted that they still try to represent as many perspectives as possible.

CFS executives were not convinced. "CASA and the Federation can't be compared on how they deal with equity

GOING GREEN

Mayor Bourque unleashes his plans

By HYPATIA FRANCIS

Montréal does not have a spotless environmental record. When Pierre Bourque, former director of the Montreal Botanical Garden, was elected last autumn, he made it clear that he planned to improve on his successors.

Initiating a new city program named *Éco quartiers*, Bourque is attempting to make good on his campaign promises.

The basic plan of the project is to encourage neighbourhood beautification and waste reduction. But, says Yves Leroy, coordinator of Tandem YMCA Park Ave., the project is "about more than just recycling, it is about the quality of life."

City Hall has divided the *quartiers* along the lines of electoral districts and has awarded separate contracts to individual groups who will work closely with the people of each district.

Through this program, Bourque said he hopes to "make Montréal an environmental capital." Still in its pilot-project stage this year, the program is being implemented in twenty districts on the north of the island. The remaining districts will be included over the next two years.

With an ambitious target of 40% reduction of waste over the next four years, the plan will rely on significant participation from community groups, individuals and neighbourhood initiatives. According to the Service de la propriété the programme is "linked to

the residents' sense of belonging" to their community.

The Bourque administration may be the first municipal government in North America to spearhead such an expansive grass-roots movement.

Critics of the programme charge that Bourque is in fact not facing up to his pledge to be a 'green mayor'. While concentrating on good publicity for the *quartiers*, Bourque has neglected the large discrepancy in green space between rich and poor areas and the continuing use of pesticides in public parks.

Bourque has also raised much interest with his uncharacteristically decentralized approach toward contract allocation in the *quartiers*. By contracting out to non-government organisations, the Bourque administration has opened up a new and democratic avenue of citizen participation and empowerment.

In each of the districts, different groups were awarded municipal contracts of fifty thousand dollars to get the program underway. In some cases these groups were already well established environmental organisations, such as the Quebec Public Interest Research Group (Q-PIRG.), or P.A.R.I. St. Michel. Several others were created by residents solely for the purpose of this program.

On the one hand, this could mean that the best interests of each neighbourhood are represented by local participants. But critics point out that it could also create

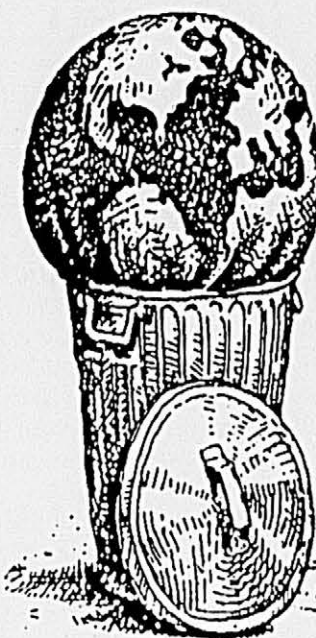
a discrepancy between the standards of improvement in neighbourhoods of varying affluence.

With only basic guidelines to oversee plan implementation, some worry that important measures such as waste reduction will take a back seat to neighbourhood beautification.

Danielle Lussier of the Service de la propriété argues otherwise. She says that the city "is hoping to create permanent change." The program, says Lussier, has basic objectives to which all of the participating groups must adhere.

These objectives include concrete measures such as waste reduction and recycling. How these goals are achieved will depend on the individual districts.

The Bourque government has given the communities involved a timeline in which to demonstrate progress. City Hall's advisory committee will review each of the districts in December in order to decide whether or not their contracts will be renewed.



This gives groups participating in the program six months in which to show results. As Sybille Heisler of Action Rebut, which is working with the Laurier district, points out, six months is not a long time in which to effect change.

The deadline is pressuring the groups to begin with cosmetic, visible changes as long term measures are not always immediately apparent.

Lussier dismisses concerns over the deadline by stating that six months is a reasonable period of time "for a beginning." The point, she

says, is to see that something has been done. "Of course it will take a while before permanent change can take place," says Lussier. In other words, this is just a first step.

Only time will tell if this program will make any real difference in Montréalers' quality of life. If this program proves to be more than just a superficial scheme, Montréal may be on its way to leaving behind its tarnished reputation.

If you are interested in getting involved, the Quebec Public Interest Research Group (Q-PIRG.-McGill) is alive and well and can be reached at 398-7457 or at 3647 University. They will have a table at Activities Night.



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The Siege at Gustafsen Lake

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groups. Under the *Proclamation of 1763* — the working constitution for the Canadian Colonies until 1867 — native nations retained all title to their land until relinquished in treaties. This never occurred in the territory now known as British Columbia.

In a letter to the RCMP Staff Sergeant Peter Sarich, Bruce Clark outlines his legal argument for the Defenders. Since the land was never ceded to the Canadian government, he argues, it is illegal under the *Proclamation* and subsequent international law, for the government to exercise any power, such as the RCMP, in the area.

Ironically, Clark is arguing for the exact same thing as the Attorney General. His main concern is to "uphold the law" — however, he views the British Columbian and Canadian

governments as the illegitimate forces, not the Defenders in their makeshift camp.

Clark explains that he and his clients are simply "doing their duty as the law defines it"

— to resist continued trespassing of Canadian authorities on native land — and the Defenders are "prepared to have their lives forfeited for it."

"Thousands upon thousands of Indian lives have been, and are being, lost," he wrote in response to a Vancouver journalist.

These lives have been lost precisely because native communities have been "invaded and terrorised treasonably, fraudulently, and genocidally. The high mortality rates of natives in our country are a consequence of the legal establishment's crimes. My clients' intent at Gustafsen Lake is to save many lives at the risk of their own. That is heroism not terrorism."

"They have no legal right to be there and there is no land claims process for that area. This is simply a law enforcement issue." Bruce Thompson, office the BC Attorney General

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Parizeau favours a Fall vote. More importantly, the two leaders disagree over the nature of the question. Parizeau favours outright sovereignty, while Bouchard hopes for a renewed association with Canada.

- Prime Minister Jean Chrétien rejects any proposal that a sovereign Québec could use Canadian currency or passports. He also reaffirms that a sovereign Québec would not be an automatic member of international treaties like NAFTA, and that Québec would be responsible for its share of the federal debt.

- July, 1995: Parizeau and Bouchard sign a 'historic agree-

ment' with the leader of the Parti Action Democratique, 25-year old Mario Dumont. They agree that following a successful vote, Québec should seek a new economic and political relationship with Canada.

- August, 1995: Although Parizeau has yet to set a date, almost every observer agrees that October 30th is the most likely.

- The Inuit Nation decides to hold their own referendum on the future of their territory. Bouchard claims that their referendum is irrelevant, and again reaffirms the territorial integrity of a post-separation Québec.

- During a meeting with diplomats from Europe, Parizeau allegedly compared Quebecers after a 'yes' victory to "lobsters in a pot". Parizeau claims to have been misquoted; still, no one is really sure what the 'vibrant weasel' meant, anyway. (Our best guess: once the binding vote to separate is cast, Quebecers are locked in for the ride, whether the ensuing negotiations with Canada are successful or not.)

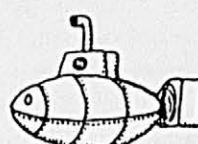
- The unofficial referendum campaign begins in earnest, with both federalist and sovereigntist sides using political conflicts as part of the referendum battle:

- the National Gallery cancels

an exposition by a prominent sovereigntist artist. Sovereigntists claim political interference by federalists.

- the Sureté du Québec raids a field of marijuana plants growing on Mohawk land at Kahnasatake. Sovereigntists claim that the federal government did not act to solve the problem, hoping to provoke another Oka-type crisis for the Parti Québécois.

- The Canadian army holds late night training exercises over the north-end of Montréal, including the use of concussion grenades and low-flying helicopters. Parizeau accuses the federal government of flexing its muscles to intimidate Quebecers.



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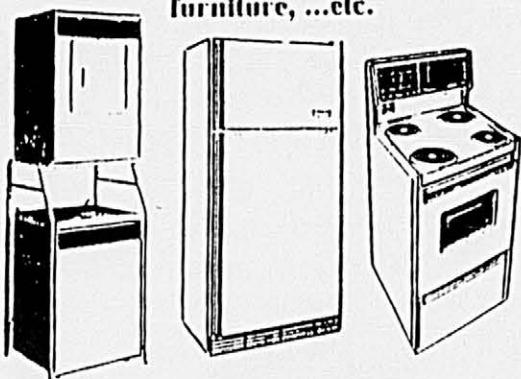


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BY JACQUELINE REIS

New Dean of Students Rosalie Jukier has a challenging five years term of office ahead of her. With just days until the beginning of the fall semester, she took time out to speak to the *Daily* in between orientation presentations last Thursday.

Daily: Former Dean of Students Irwin Gopnik was here for 10 years and one of the biggest legacies he left was a feeling of mistrust between student leaders and the Dean. How do you plan to deal with these hostilities?

Rosalie Jukier: I think that I've already succeeded in showing the SSMU [Students' Society] executive and the incoming students, and any other groups students that I've come across that I am a very approachable and open person. I view the students as my colleagues...The student groups with which the dean of students deals and I are after the same goal... We're trying to make life for students at McGill the best that it can possibly be, and that is a shared goal...

I'm a lawyer. I therefore understand the importance of due process and transparency, and it's not that long ago that I myself was a student, so I don't really feel like I'm on the other side of the fence.

One of your most important jobs will be to sit on the Coordinating Committee on Student Services (CCSS), and this is a body that's divided equally between faculty and students. How do you plan to go about building consensus in a group that often splits between these two groups?

That's a good question. I've obviously never sat on CCSS, and I've heard enough rumours about it to make me quite worried...

I think one of the difficulties with CCSS is that very often it would meet at the beginning of the process, when all the student representatives were very new, and then the finance sub-committee would go off and do its very detailed and time-consuming work, and then great ideas and great initiatives would come up. But there's this time delay, there's this deadline that it's got to go to



NEW DEAN OF STUDENTS ROSALIE JUKIER

Senate to be approved by Senate and then to be approved by the Board of Governors to go into the fee booklet and da-da-da-da-da. And I think that if we have another CCSS meeting in the fall that students will have time to come back earlier with very interesting and wonderful initiatives that we can deal with in time...

One of the things Dean Gopnik had often complained about was that student administrations come and go every year, while administrators stay here for years. Do you see the turnover in student politics as a problem, and how do you plan to deal with what might be conflicting ideas?

There are always two ways of looking at something. The cup can be half full, or it can be half empty. Call me an optimist, but I always like to look at the cup as half full.

There's one very good thing that exists because students are only in there for a year and then there is a turn over: They have incredible energy and ideas... But, because they're

only here for a year, they want to move fast. So there's no, you know, they're not lethargic about it, and I think that way you can get things done.

Student Services building. Do you see a pressing need for a new one?

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Were you at all worried about that cheque not coming through once the Students' Society decided to sign a contract with Pepsi?

No, I do not think that the Coca-Cola Foundation ever intended to back out of the gift. I can't say that it's not awkward to see all the Pepsi trucks around campus, but philanthropy and business are two separate things. I cannot as dean of students influence SSMU any more than saying to them "Look, Coca-Cola did make a wonderful gift, treat Coca-Cola well, listen to their submission," but I do understand that it's two different things. And if SSMU decides to go with Pepsi, I can't help it. I have to live with that I think it's awkward, but I don't think it's devastating to the gift, no.

Was there any sort of similar gift from Pepsi?

No.

How do you think the university-wide budget cuts that are planned for the next five years

ics... We are therefore separate from the university budget...

However, there is a longer and more complicated answer. The longer and more complicated answer is that we cannot... be immune and we cannot ignore the severe budgetary constraints that the university is under and that students are under. We recognise what happens if tuition fees go up and students are under budgetary constraints as well. So I think we have to be mindful of that and do what we can to watch our budget and to be careful.

How do student needs become student services?

One of the things I want very much to do is to find out what a contemporary student need is, and that's because student needs do change... It's the SSMU who wants to put out a quality of student life questionnaire, but I've asked Helena [Myers, SSMU president] if we can put into that questionnaire questions which gauge use of present services and need of new services among students. So that's one way. I almost want the SSMU to be my liaison with the students to let me know what their needs are.

The other way is really by students letting me know. I already am getting the message from students that some kind of daycare is needed as a student service... So I guess that's

the way you find out about student needs, and eventually, hopefully, they become student services.

The student groups with which the dean of students deals and I are after the same goal... We're trying to make life for students at McGill the best that it can possibly be, and that is a shared goal

will affect Student Services?

The easy answer, the short answer, is that it really doesn't. And that is because the Student Services budget is to a large extent, almost in its entirety, self-financed. It is financed by direct government grants, ... by the Student Services fee that students pay [50 per cent of Student Services is financed by the Student Services fee] and the rest is by revenues, especially from athlet-

So you're satisfied with the way those channels are working now?

I guess, I mean I've only been in the job two and half months.

But people shouldn't be shy to tell their representatives, with whom I deal on a weekly basis... I hope students will view their representatives as the liaison between me and them. So I'm listening.

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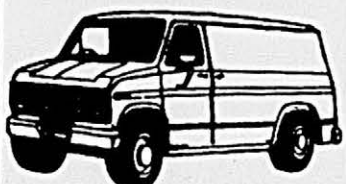
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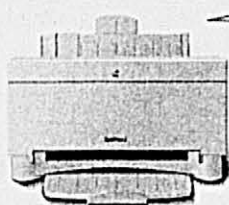
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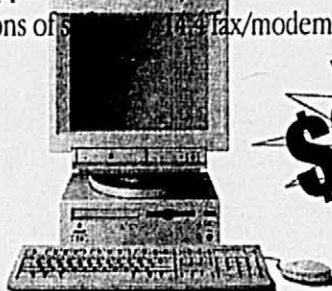
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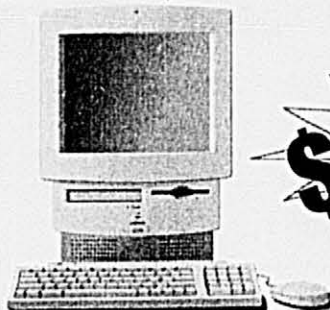
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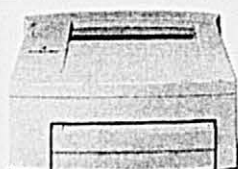
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